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REQUEST FOR JUDICIAL NOTICE

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Evidence 201, Defendant University of Southern California ("USC"), erroneously sued as "Trustees of THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA," hereby requests that this Court take judicial notice of the following documents and facts in connection with its Motion to Dismiss Plaintiffs' Second Amended Complaint and to Strike Class Allegations:

- Exhibit A: First Amended Complaint filed on October 22, 2024 (Dkt. 101) in *Frankel v. Regents of Univ. of California*, No. 24-cv-04702 (C.D. Cal.). A true and correct copy is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- Exhibit B: Landing page of public Instagram account for USC Divest From Death ("@uscdivestfromdeath"), which posts and shares content protesting USC's investments, available at: https://www.instagram.com/uscdivestfromdeath. A true and correct copy is attached hereto as Exhibit B. The account is not the official Instagram account for USC, nor does it purport to be.
- Exhibit C: Landing page of public Instagram account for USC Student Coalition Against Labor Exploitation ("@uscscale"), available at: https://www.instagram.com/uscscale/?hl=en. The biography states that they are "anti-imperialist for a liberated world." A true and correct copy is attached hereto as Exhibit C. The account is not the official Instagram account for USC, nor does it purport to be.
- The USC Health Sciences Campus east of downtown Los Angeles is over seven miles from USC's "main" campus, south of downtown, known as the "University Park Campus." Bovard Hall is located in the University Park Campus. Sources: USC campus

1	maps, available at https://maps.usc.edu ; and Google maps, available			
2	at https://maps.app.goo.gl/XhczDuT34x42iLpK9.			
3	• USC's Hybrid Physical Therapy program, the Hybrid Pathway			
4	Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT), is a graduate-level program that			
5	combines the accessibility of online learning with in-person, hands-			
6	on immersion experiences at USC. Sources: USC Division of			
7	Biokinesiology and Physical Therapy, available at			
8	https://dpt.usc.edu/hybrid-dpt-program; Commission on			
9	Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education, Master List of			
10	Accredited Programs for the Physical Therapist 5 (2022), available			
11	at https://www.capteonline.org/programs/master-list .			
12	For the reasons set forth herein, the Court can properly take judicial notice of			
13	the above documents and facts.			
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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

Facts "generally known within the trial court's territorial jurisdiction" or "readily determined from sources whose accuracy cannot be reasonably questioned" are subject to judicial notice. Fed. R. Evid. 201(b). When either standard is met, a party requests notice, and the court is provided with the relevant information, Rule 201(c)(2) provides that notice shall be taken. Alternatively, a court may take judicial notice of facts on its own. Fed. R. Evid. 201(c)(1). Pursuant to Rule 201(b) and (c), USC respectfully requests that the Court take notice of the above documents and facts.

The Court may "take judicial notice of court filings and other matters of public record." *E.g.*, *Reyn's Pasta Bella*, *LLC v. Visa USA*, *Inc.*, 442 F.3d 741, 746, n.6 (9th Cir. 2006) (taking notice of plaintiffs' filings in other actions); *Marcus v. Rouillard*, 2022 WL 22573481, at *4 n.6 (C.D. Cal. 2022), *aff'd* 2024 WL 1042992 (9th Cir. Mar. 11, 2024) (taking "judicial notice of the filings and rulings in other lawsuits"); *St John v. Toyota Motor Corp.*, 2013 WL 5775072, at *2 (C.D. Cal. 2013) (noticing an Oklahoma state-court document). **Exhibit A** is a true and correct copy of the First Amended Complaint (Dkt. 101) filed in *Frankel v. Regents of Univ. of California*, No. 24-cv-04702 (C.D. Cal.), a matter of public record. Judicial notice is therefore appropriate.

The Court may take judicial notice of "the existence and contents" of websites under Rule 201(b)(2). *In re Meta Pixel Tax Filing Cases*, 2024 WL 1251350, at *3 (N.D. Cal. 2024); *see also*, *e.g.*, *Wilson v. Playtika*, *Ltd.*, 349 F. Supp. 3d 1028, 1042 (W.D. Wash. 2018) (court may take judicial notice of information derived from a publicly accessible website). This includes the fact that neither the website for the @uscdivestfromdeath Instagram nor the website for the @uscscale Instagram is an official USC website. *See Al -Ahmed v. Twitter*, *Inc.*, 603 F. Supp. 3d 857, 868-869 (C.D. Cal. 2022) (taking judicial notice of the landing page for plaintiff's Twitter account and a public post on the account—both available publicly). **Exhibits B and** C are the landing pages for the public Instagram accounts of @uscdivestfromdeath

and @uscscale. Judicial notice is therefore appropriate.

Geographic distances are judicially noticeable under Rule 201(b)(1) and (2). Local landmarks are "generally known within the trial court's jurisdiction." Fed. R. Evid. 201(b)(1). And "[c]ourts may judicially notice locations using maps and satellite images." *Tesoro Ref. & Mktg. Co. LLC v. City of Long Beach*, 334 F. Supp. 3d 1031, 1042 (C.D. Cal. 2017) (citing *United States v. Perea-Rey*, 680 F.3d 1179, 1182 n.1 (9th Cir. 2012) ("We take judicial notice of a Google map and satellite image as a 'source[] whose accuracy cannot reasonably be questioned,' at least for the purpose of determining the general location of the home.") (citation omitted)). The Court should therefore take judicial notice that USC's Health Sciences Campus is over seven miles by public roads from the University Park Campus.

That USC's Hybrid Pathway Doctor of Physical Therapy program is a graduate-level program is "readily determined from sources whose accuracy cannot be reasonably questioned." Fed. R. Evid. 201(b)(2). Such facts are ascertainable and verifiable from public sources—here, the program website and the accreditor's website—whose accuracy cannot be reasonably questioned in this context. *See Daghlian v. DeVry Univ., Inc.*, 461 F. Supp. 2d 1121, 1143 (C.D. Cal. 2006) (taking judicial notice of the fact that DeVry University is a non-WASC regionally accredited institution); *Caldwell v. Caldwell*, 2006 WL 618511, at *4 (N.D. Cal. 2006), *modified at* 2006 WL 734405 (N.D. Cal. 2006) ("The court agrees with the proposition that, as a general matter, websites and their contents may be proper subjects for judicial notice."). The Court should therefore judicially notice that USC's Hybrid DPT program is a graduate-level program.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, USC respectfully requests that, in connection with its Motion to Dismiss Plaintiffs' Second Amended Complaint and to Strike Class Allegations, the Court take judicial notice of **Exhibits A** - **C** and the above-mentioned facts.

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20	REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF				
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22	GENE D. BLOCK, former Chancellor,				
23	University of California, Los Angeles; DARNELL HUNT, Interim Chancellor &				
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25	MICHAEL BECK, Administrative Vice Chancellor; MONROE GORDEN, JR., Vice				
$_{26}$	Chancellor; and RICK BRAZIEL, Assistant				
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Defendants.

NATURE OF THE ACTION

- 1. The University of California, Los Angeles, once considered among the most prestigious public institutions in the world, has deteriorated into a hotbed of antisemitism. This rampant anti-Jewish environment burst into view on October 8, 2023, the day after Hamas terrorists attacked Israel in a harrowing rampage that saw over one thousand innocent Jews, including infants and the elderly, murdered, raped, and mutilated.
- 2. In the wake of these horrifying events, UCLA should have taken steps to ensure that its Jewish students and faculty were safe and protected from harassment and undeterred in obtaining full access to campus facilities. Instead, UCLA officials routinely turned their backs on its Jewish community, aiding and abetting a culture that has allowed calls for the annihilation of the Jewish people, Nazi symbolism, and religious slurs to go unchecked.
 - 3. Matters turned especially ugly the following spring.
- 4. Starting on April 25, 2024, and continuing until May 2, 2024, UCLA allowed a group of activists to set up barricades in the center of campus and establish an encampment that blocked access to critical educational infrastructure on campus.
- 5. The activists chanted antisemitic threats like "death to the Jews," "free Palestine from the hand of Jews," and "from the River to the Sea, Palestine will be free," proudly trumpeting their hatred of the Jewish people. But their actions went well beyond such chants.
- 6. With the knowledge and acquiescence of UCLA officials, the activists enforced what was effectively a "Jew Exclusion Zone," segregating Jewish students and faculty and preventing them from accessing the heart of campus, including classroom buildings and the Exhibit A Page 9

- 7. To enter the Jew Exclusion Zone, a person had to make a statement pledging their allegiance to the activists' views and have someone within the encampment "vouch" for the individual's fidelity to the activists' cause. While this may have prevented a pro-Israel Christian from entering the Zone and permitted access for a Jewish person willing to comply with the enforcers' demands, given the centrality of Jerusalem to the Jewish faith, the practical effect was to deny the overwhelming majority of Jews access to the heart of the campus.
- 8. Activists issued wristbands or other forms of identification to those who passed this Orwellian inquisition.
- 9. UCLA's administration knew about the activists' extreme actions, including the exclusion of Jews. But, in a remarkable display of cowardice, appearament, and illegality, the administration not only did nothing to stop it, but actively facilitated it.
- 10. UCLA Chancellor Gene Block publicly acknowledged that "students on their way to class have been physically blocked from accessing parts of the campus."
- 11. Yet even as the activists continued to enforce the Jew Exclusion Zone, Defendants failed to marshal resources to intervene and affirmatively adopted a policy facilitating the Jew Exclusion Zone. Under this policy, officials ordered, among other things, UCLA campus police to stand down and step aside. They even directed security to set up the barricades establishing the encampment.

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- 12. And not only that, but UCLA also hired security staff and stationed them on the outskirts of the encampment and other restricted areas.
- 13. But rather than instruct this additional staff to assist Jewish students and faculty in accessing campus resources, UCLA instead instructed them to discourage unapproved persons from attempting to cross through the areas blocked by the activists and not to intervene to help Jewish students and faculty, even in the wake of violence from the encampment activists.
- 14. The security officers, acting as agents of Defendants, also laughed and jeered at Jewish students, redirecting them away from the encampment unless they were able to enter the Zone.
- 15. Some even informed Jewish students that if they wished to access the encampment or other restricted areas, they would first need to obtain the permission of the encampment members.
- 16. All told, the Jew Exclusion Zone existed on campus for a full week, wreaking havor on the lives of Jewish faculty and students who were simply trying to teach, attend classes, and study for exams.
- 17. Each of the Plaintiffs was prevented from passing through the Jew Exclusion Zone. Joshua Ghayoum, an undergraduate and history major, was repeatedly blocked from passing through the encampment to reach meetings and study sessions. Eden Shemuelian, a law student, was shooed away by a security officer who chastised her and called her "the issue" for attempting to peacefully observe the encampment. Yitzchok Frankel, a law student, was harassed and blocked from approaching the encampment by antisemitic activists, all with the assistance of UCLA security. And Dr. Kamran Shamsa, a cardiologist in UCLA's medical school, was blocked from accessing the encampment by UCLA security Exhibit A Page 11

and was later pushed back by security as he attempted to approach a pro-Israel rally near the encampment.

18. Far from being a one-off incident, the chaos on campus continued—and continues to this day. After the initial encampment was belatedly cleared, activists staged at least three more occupations and encampments throughout the remainder of the spring term, resulting in disrupted finals, the takeover of buildings, and harassment of a campus rabbi. And once the current academic year began, activists held what they called a "Week of Rage" beginning on the anniversary of the October 7 terrorist attack, during which they repeatedly violated campus protest rules with impunity, including setting up a new encampment on October 21.

19. UCLA boasts of its "open and inclusive environment that nurtures the growth and development of all faculty, students, administration and staff," and assures students that it does "not tolerate acts of discrimination, harassment or conduct causing harm to individuals on the basis of race, color, ethnicity," "citizenship," "national origin," or "religious beliefs." UCLA has a number of policies that purport to implement these guarantees.

20. But UCLA has failed to provide Jewish students, faculty, and staff with the protection promised by such policies. Jews should not fear for their safety when they walk around any public space, let alone the campus of a prominent American research university.

¹ Mission & Values, UCLA, https://perma.cc/7KUA-8NLV.

² Inclusive Excellence Framework for Advancing EDI @ UCLA, UCLA https://perma.cc/3HMJ-F5K6.

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duty to ensure unfettered access to UCLA's educational opportunities and to protect the Jewish community is not only immoral—it is illegal.

21. Yet here we are. The administration's cowardly abdication of its

- 22. Specifically, it violates numerous federal and state constitutional guarantees, including the Equal Protection Clause, the Free Exercise Clause, and the freedom of speech.
- 23. And it contravenes the basic guarantee of equal access to educational facilities that receive federal funding, as well as numerous other statutory guarantees of equality and fair treatment.
- 24. On August 13, 2024, the Court found that the student Plaintiffs were entitled to a preliminary injunction to ensure that UCLA would no longer discriminate against Jews in making campus facilities available. The Court wrote: "In the year 2024, in the United States of America, in the State of California, in the City of Los Angeles, Jewish students were excluded from portions of the UCLA campus because they refused to denounce their faith. This fact is so unimaginable and so abhorrent to our constitutional guarantee of religious freedom that it bears repeating, Jewish students were excluded from portions of the UCLA campus because they refused to denounce their faith. UCLA does not dispute this. Instead, UCLA claims that it has no responsibility to protect the religious freedom of its Jewish students because the exclusion was engineered by thirdparty protesters. But under constitutional principles, UCLA may not allow services to some students when UCLA knows that other students are excluded on religious grounds, regardless of who engineered the exclusion." ECF 89 at 2 (emphasis in original).
- 25. The preliminary injunction prohibits Defendants "from offering any ordinarily available programs, activities, or campus areas to students if Defendants know the[y] ... are not fully and equally accessible Exhibit A - Page 13

- 26. Rather than agreeing to comply with the injunction, UCLA immediately appealed and claimed that the Court's order not to discriminate against Jews "would improperly hamstring our ability to respond to events on the ground and to meet the needs of the Bruin community." UCLA did not explain why it needs to be able to discriminate against Jews in order to run its campus.
- 27. After a week of widespread, bipartisan criticism, UCLA relented, voluntarily dismissed its appeal, and later filed an answer to Plaintiffs' complaint. Still, at no point has UCLA taken responsibility for its role in facilitating the antisemitism that has taken over its campus, including the encampments.
- 28. Criticism of UCLA's facilitation of antisemitism has not been limited to the outside press. On October 16, 2024, the Task Force to Combat Antisemitism and Anti-Israeli Bias at UCLA, which Defendant Darnell Hunt established in February 2024 (before the rise of the initial encampment), submitted a report containing withering criticism of UCLA's nakedly antisemitic actions and environment.
- 29. The Task Force noted that it was "troubled by the defense that was offered by the University" in this case. "Jews and Israelis have been victims of discrimination and harassment on the UCLA campus, and the University should commit to remediation, rather than fighting the case."
- 30. Indeed, according to the Task Force, "several of the defenses asserted by the University to fight the injunction had the effect of reinforcing a perception of its bias against Jews and/or supporters of Israel and seemed to discount the equal protection of Jews at UCLA."

- 31. "For example," the Task Force continued, "the University repeatedly argued that its decision to allow the encampment to continue was an appropriate and reasonable 'de-escalation' tactic," but "[t]he argument that discrimination against a protected class ... is an appropriate or reasonable tactic for achieving any objective is problematic," and "[i]t is doubtful that the University would make such an argument to rationalize discrimination against any other identity category protected by state or federal law."
- 32. Nor did the Task Force find UCLA's argument "that it lacked 'control' over third parties in the encampment" remotely persuasive. "[T]hat defense is undermined by the fact that the University eventually gave up on its de-escalation strategy and organized a breakup of the encampment and arrest of the protesters. UCLA could have decided to end the encampment when it was established, but it expressly decided to let the encampment protest and violations of law and University rules continue."
- 33. Thus, according to the Task Force, this Court "[a]ppropriately ... rejected UCLA's defense and issued the injunction."
- 34. And the Task Force "urge[d] the University to stop fighting the *Frankel* case, and instead invest resources in improving the climate on campus. The University should work with plaintiffs and other Jewish stakeholders at UCLA ... to develop a comprehensive plan to dampen or stop antisemitic and anti-Israeli bias on campus."
 - 35. UCLA has done no such thing.
- 36. Plaintiffs are entitled not only to permanent injunctive relief, but also damages against the Regents and the individual Defendants. Indeed, because the UCLA administration's actions amount to sanctioning segregation, their clearly unconstitutional actions entitle Exhibit A Page 15

Plaintiffs to hold the school's administrators personally liable for their reprehensible failures.

- 37. In 1790, President George Washington wrote to the Hebrew Congregation of Newport, Rhode Island, which had sought assurances about the place of Jews within American society. He wrote, "May the Children of the stock of Abraham, who dwell in this land, continue to merit and enjoy the good will of the other Inhabitants; while every one shall sit in safety under his own vine and figtree, and there shall be none to make him afraid."³
- 38. UCLA has grievously failed to live up to Washington's promise that none shall be made afraid. But this Court can ensure, as it already has once in issuing a preliminary injunction, that Washington's promise—and, more importantly, the promises of the United States Constitution and civil rights laws—are kept.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 39. The Court has subject-matter jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1343 over Plaintiffs' claims arising under the Constitution and laws of the United States. The Court has supplemental jurisdiction over Plaintiffs' state law claims because they "form part of the same case or controversy." 28 U.S.C. § 1367(a).
- 40. The Court has authority to issue the declaratory and injunctive relief sought under 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202.
- 41. Defendants' constitutional violations are actionable under 42 U.S.C. § 1983.

³ Letter from George Washington to the Hebrew Congregation in Newport, Rhode Island (Aug. 18, 1790), *in Founders Online*, National Archives, https://perma.cc/VUR8-G3BC.

42. Venue lies in this district under 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b), including because (i) at least one Defendant resides in the Central District of California and all Defendants reside in the State of California, and (ii) a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred in the Central District of California.

THE PARTIES

- 43. Plaintiff Yitzchok Frankel is Jewish. He is a student at the UCLA School of Law who just began his third year of law school. Frankel resides in Los Angeles, California.
- 44. Plaintiff Joshua Ghayoum is Jewish. He just began his junior undergraduate year at UCLA. Ghayoum resides in Los Angeles, California.
- 45. Plaintiff Eden Shemuelian is Jewish. She is a student at the UCLA School of Law who just began her third year of law school. Shemuelian resides in Los Angeles, California.
- 46. Plaintiff Dr. Kamran Shamsa, M.D., is Jewish. He is an Associate Clinical Professor at UCLA's David Geffen School of Medicine. Shamsa resides in Los Angeles, California.
- 47. Defendant Regents of the University of California is a public agency within the meaning of Cal. Gov't Code § 7920.525(a) and is empowered under the California Constitution, Article IX, Section 9, to administer the University of California, including the University of California, Los Angeles. The Board of Regents is the governing body for the University of California system and under Article IX, Section 9, of the California Constitution has "full powers of organization and government." The Board of Regents has its principal place of operation in Oakland, California.

48. Defendant Dr. Michael V. Drake is the current President of the University of California and has served in that position since August 2020. As President, Drake oversees and is responsible for the operations of the entire University of California system, which includes UCLA. Drake is sued in both his personal capacity and in his official capacity. Drake resides in California.

49. Defendant Dr. Gene D. Block served as Chancellor of UCLA from August 2007 until July 31, 2024. As Chancellor, Block was the highest-ranking university official at UCLA, including during the 2023-2024 academic school year. Block's duties included establishing campus policies, goals, and strategy. He is sued in both his personal capacity and in his official capacity. Block resides in this judicial district.

50. Defendant Dr. Darnell Hunt is the current Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost of UCLA and has served in that position since September 2022. Hunt is also currently serving as UCLA's Interim Chancellor. He is sued both in his personal capacity and in his official capacity. Hunt resides in this judicial district.

51. Defendant Michael J. Beck is the current Administrative Vice Chancellor of UCLA and has served in that position since March 2016. Beck was in charge of the public safety operations of the school from October 7, 2023, through May 5, 2024.⁴ During this time, the UCLA Police Department ("UCLA PD") reported to and took direction from him. Beck has senior management responsibility for a broad spectrum of operational and service units at UCLA and is responsible for developing policy, monitoring compliance, and overseeing campus operations.

⁴ Gene D. Block, *Changes to Campus Security Operations*, UCLA Chancellor (May 5, 2024), https://perma.cc/Y9DV-4A3H.

Defendant Beck is sued in both his personal capacity and in his official capacity. Beck resides in this judicial district.

- 52. Defendant Monroe Gorden, Jr., is the current Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs, of UCLA and has served in that position since April 2018. Gorden's role spans the entire range of student needs and interests from early outreach through graduation, housing, physical and emotional wellness, recreation, and student organizations. Gorden is sued both in his personal capacity and in his official capacity. Gorden resides in this judicial district.
- 53. Defendant Rick Braziel has served as the Associate Vice Chancellor for Campus Safety at UCLA since May 5, 2024. In this role, Braziel serves as the head of the newly created Office of Campus Safety at UCLA, which as of May 5, 2024, oversees the UCLA PD. Braziel is sued in his personal capacity and his official capacity. Braziel resides in this judicial district.
- 54. Defendant Braziel reports directly to the Chancellor of the University and the Chief of the UCLA PD reports to Defendant Braziel. Braziel and Beck work closely together on matters relating to campus safety.
- 55. Defendants Hunt, Beck, and Gorden serve on UCLA's senior leadership team, as did Block during his tenure as Chancellor.
- 56. UCLA's senior leadership team is ultimately responsible for leading and running UCLA's campus. The senior leadership team managed and oversaw UCLA's response to antisemitism and demonstrations on campus during the 2023-24 academic year, including making critical strategic and operational decisions about UCLA's response to the encampments.

- 57. On information and belief, by virtue of his role as President of the University of California system, Defendant Drake consulted regularly with UCLA's senior leadership team about UCLA's response to antisemitism and the encampments and was a key decisionmaker in all significant strategic and operational decisions relating thereto, and he is similarly involved in managing UCLA's response to antisemitism on an ongoing basis.
- 58. By virtue of his role as Assistant Vice Chancellor for Campus Safety, Defendant Braziel is closely involved with discussions and strategic decisions made by UCLA's senior leadership with respect to campus safety issues, including without limitation, antisemitism and encampments on campus.
- 59. All individual Defendants are persons acting under color of state law within the meaning of 42 U.S.C. § 1983.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

A. UCLA

- 60. The University of California, Los Angeles is a large public research university located in the Westwood neighborhood of Los Angeles, California, which is within the Central District of California.
- 61. UCLA is one of the largest universities in California, with over 33,000 undergraduate students and over 13,000 graduate students.
- 62. UCLA is part of the 10-campus University of California system, which includes other universities such as the University of California, Berkeley.
- 63. UCLA's campus is spread across 419 acres of publicly owned land that is, as a general matter, open to the public.

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- 64. UCLA's Younes and Soraya Nazarian Center for Israel Studies is the university's center promoting the study of modern Israel and was the first of its kind on the West Coast when it was founded in 2010.
- 65. Approximately eight percent of UCLA's 33,000 undergraduate students are Jewish.
- 66. UCLA tells its students that its policies exist to "create and maintain a safe, supportive, and inclusive campus community that engages students."5
- 67. The UCLA administration has repeatedly trumpeted commitment to inclusion. Indeed, UCLA stated that it "will never remain silent when unlawful actions threaten our students and community members."6
- 68. As a public university, UCLA has a policy for public protests that includes time, place, and manner restrictions.⁷
- 69. The policy specifically notes that "speech and assembly on university grounds" "must not interfere with the orderly operation of the campus and must be conducted in a manner that reasonably protects others from becoming involuntary audiences."
- 70. For instance, it violates the regulations to "block entrances to or otherwise interfere with the free flow of traffic into and out of campus buildings," "knowingly and willfully interfere with the peaceful conduct

Student Conduct Code, UCLA Office of the Dean of Students, https://perma.cc/G6JD-E9TG.

⁶ UC President Janet Napolitano and UC Chancellors, A Letter to the UC Community on Today's DACA Decision, UCLA Chancellor (June 18, 2020), https://perma.cc/A2ZC-TR4F.

Your First Amendment Rights as a Student at UCLA at 3, UCLA Student Affairs, https://perma.cc/FP2Z-8NWC.

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27 28 person having lawful business with the University," and to "camp or lodge, except in authorized facilities or locations."8 71. UCLA's policies do not allow private individuals to exercise exclusive control over campus facilities or spaces. 72. UCLA also has an anti-discrimination policy, which protects

of the activities of the campus or any campus facility by intimidating,

harassing, or obstructing any University employee, student, or any other

students and faculty from discrimination and harassment.

73. The policy includes reporting and investigation mechanisms and promises that "[a]ny individual can report conduct that may be Prohibited Conduct. The University will respond promptly and equitably to such reports. This includes appropriate action to stop, prevent, and remedy the Prohibited Conduct."9

B. Antisemitic Protests at UCLA Following the October 7th Attack

74. In the wake of the deadly Hamas attacks against Israel on October 7, 2023, protests emerged around the country, frequently on college campuses.

75. These protests often included disturbing antisemitic language and imagery.

76. As Chancellor Block has admitted in sworn testimony, UCLA has not been "immune to the disturbing rise of antisemitism across our country since October 7th."10

Id. at 7-8.

Anti-Discrimination Policy at 5, University of California Systemwide Office of Civil Rights (Feb. 20, 2024), https://bit.ly/3KqZ1pj.

Calling for Accountability: Stopping Antisemitic College Chaos: Hearing Before the H. Comm. on Educ. & the Workforce, 118th Cong. at

77. UCLA was also the site of antisemitic demonstrations.

- 78. For example, at an October 12, 2023, demonstration at Bruin Plaza—a thoroughfare in the heart of UCLA's undergraduate campus—activists chanted "Itbah El Yahud" ("slaughter the Jews" in Arabic) and carried antisemitic signs.
- 79. Counter-protesters present at the time were identifiably Jewish, through cultural or religious clothing and jewelry, or were identifiably pro-Israel, based on holding or wearing insignia of Israeli flags.
 - 80. Police officers were present but did not intervene.
- 81. A few weeks later, a UCLA faculty member found a piece of paper entitled "Loudmouth Jew" accompanied by a book cover prominently featuring a swastika on top of a pile of trash placed outside the faculty member's home.
 - 82. Figure 1 is a picture of the "Loudmouth Jew" paper.

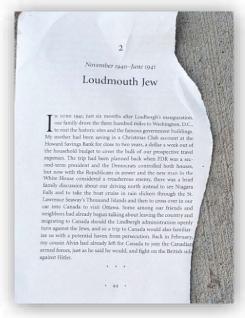


Figure 1

^{41:10-41:17,} YouTube (May 23, 2024), https://bit.ly/3R8V3FD (statement of Chancellor Block).

83. Figure 2 is a picture of the book cover featuring a swastika.

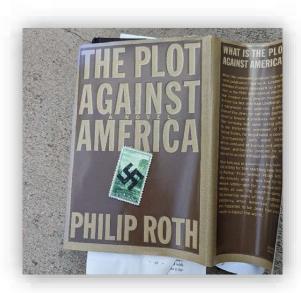


Figure 2

- 84. Chancellor Block issued a letter to the UCLA community on October 27, 2023, in which he acknowledged that the "ongoing conflict in the Middle East" had "stirred very deep emotions in many of us." He stated that these emotional responses do "not in the least give anyone in our community—or anyone visiting our campus—license to make our students, staff or faculty feel unsafe." ¹²
 - 85. But the antisemitic protests at UCLA continued unabated.
- 86. On November 8, 2023, hundreds of activists swarmed the UCLA School of Law, holding signs and chanting "from the River to the Sea," "there's only one solution," "intifada," "death to Israel," and "death to Jews."

¹¹ Gene D. Block, *Maintaining a Safe Learning and Working Environment for All*, UCLA Chancellor (Oct. 27, 2023), https://perma.cc/Q9A9-7F7T.

 $^{^{12}}$ *Id*.

- 87. Also on November 8, 2023, at a Students for Justice in Palestine protest, harassers chanted "beat that fucking Jew" through a megaphone while bashing a piñata bearing an image of Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.¹³
- 88. In response to these threats of violence and displays of anti-Jewish hostility, Chancellor Block sent another communication—an email to the campus community that acknowledged a "rise in reprehensible acts of Antisemitism" both globally and on campus.¹⁴ He described the November 8, 2023, outburst as "an event" involving "protected speech under the First Amendment."¹⁵
- 89. Yet he was forced to acknowledge that "individuals exhibited extremely hateful behavior and used despicable Antisemitic language, which was captured on video and shared widely, frightening many within our community." ¹⁶
- 90. Chancellor Block pledged to "work against" such "bigotry" and that his "administration [would] launch[] its own set of efforts to strengthen community and reaffirm our values in this period of intense strife." ¹⁷
- 91. These words proved hollow. In the following months, Jewish students and faculty at UCLA began to raise safety concerns after anti-

¹³ Greg Gilman, *UCLA Condemns 'Hateful Behavior*,' 'Antisemitic Language' from Pro-Palestinian Student Protesters, Los Angeles Magazine (Nov. 12, 2023), https://bit.ly/3WMdWBK.

¹⁴ Gene D. Block, Standing Against Bigotry at the University of California, UCLA Chancellor (Nov. 10, 2023), https://perma.cc/4SMG-4T6C.

^{26 || 15} *Id*.

 $^{27 \}parallel 16 Id$.

^{28 || 17} *Id*.

- 92. For instance, later in November, the Co-Director of UCLA Chabad, Rabbi Dovid Gurevich, "said he thinks many Jewish students have felt unsafe since the Oct. 7 attack and that his organization has recently increased security measures." ¹⁸
- 93. And a number of Jewish students recounted seeing antisemitic symbols (such as swastikas engraved into tables and trees), hearing anti-Jewish chants, and being subject to harassment because they are Jewish. These instances and others left many Jewish students and faculty feeling "honestly scared for" their "life" when walking on campus. 19
- 94. In another incident, of which Chancellor Block was aware, pro-Palestinian activists were seen on campus holding knives.²⁰
- 95. Several Jewish students, including Shemuelian and Ghayoum, were forced to miss class or attend class remotely to avoid pro-Palestinian rallies on campus and out of fear for their own safety.
- 96. Activists also tore down and defaced posters depicting the names and faces of the hostages brutally kidnapped by Hamas terrorists.

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¹⁸ Dylan Winward, Survivor recounts experience of Oct. 7 attack at event hosted by Chabad at UCLA, Daily Bruin (Nov. 18, 2023), https://perma.cc/94HX-5YEQ.

¹⁹ Dylan Winward & Catherine Hamilton, *Jewish students express concern over antisemitism on UCLA campus*, Daily Bruin (Nov. 19, 2023), https://perma.cc/TDP6-2876.

²⁰ Calling for Accountability: Stopping Antisemitic College Chaos: Hearing Before the H. Comm. on Educ. & the Workforce, 118th Cong. at 2:27:14-2:27:40, YouTube (May 23, 2024), https://bit.ly/3WYmUfm (statement of Chancellor Block).

97. On December 5, 2023, more than 350 faculty circulated an open letter to Chancellor Block and the UCLA administration explaining that these demonstrations resulted in "Jewish students, staff and faculty who are afraid to be on campus, show solidarity with Israel or practice their freedom of religion in public." ²¹

98. On another occasion, a UCLA faculty member observed that the message "Free Palestine, Fuck Jews" was scrawled on the bathroom wall in Schoenberg, UCLA's music building. That graffiti was washed away by custodians. But after the cleaning, it was quickly replaced with new graffiti: "Fuck Zionists."

99. Figure 3 is an image of the "Fuck Zionists" graffiti in the music building.



Figure 3

100. On December 6, 2023, Alpha Epsilon Pi—UCLA's Jewish fraternity—was instructed by UCLA PD to hire extra security for a party it hosted as a safety precaution.

²¹ See, e.g., UCLA Faculty Against Terror, Op-ed: UCLA must condemn Hamas attacks, fight antisemitism on campus, Daily Bruin (Dec. 5, 2023), https://perma.cc/A6KU-XBFS; Dylan Winward, UCLA faces scrutiny for safety issues at protests for Israel, Palestine, Daily Bruin (Dec. 5, 2023), https://perma.cc/QQF8-U8F4.

101. In February 2024, a scheduled talk at Royce Hall with former Israeli Minister of Foreign Affairs Tzipi Livni hosted by the Younes and Soraya Nazarian Center for Israel Studies was moved online in the wake of planned protests.²²

102. And, in late March 2024, an individual placed a disturbing antisemitic statue on campus in front of the UCLA Luskin Conference Center. The statue depicted a several-foot-tall pig holding a bag of money and a birdcage with a keffiyeh, alongside a bucket painted with a star of David.²³

103. Figure 4 is a photograph of the statue.



Figure 4

104. This antisemitic statue was designed and intended to threaten Jews and make them feel unsafe and unwelcome on UCLA's campus.

²² See, e.g., Michael Starr, Tzipi Livni UCLA talk moved online after anti-Israel protest, The Jerusalem Post (Feb. 28, 2024), https://perma.cc/L9LD-4GC7.

²³ See, e.g., David Myers, Op-ed: Antisemitic imagery at UC Regents meeting protest threatens campus discourse, Daily Bruin (Apr. 2, 2024), https://perma.cc/E67X-LSJT.

105. The statue was far from the only public display of antisemitism on the UCLA campus.

106. Antisemitic images and chants became commonplace. Swastikas, other Nazi references, and other antisemitic imagery appeared throughout campus.

C. A Jew Exclusion Zone is Established on Campus

107. After a pro-Hamas protest encampment was established at Columbia University on April 17, 2024, activists at other colleges and universities around the country quickly began to copy the protest strategy.²⁴

108. On April 25, 2024, a group of activists "established," as Chancellor Block described it, "an unauthorized physical encampment on part of Royce Quad." ²⁵

109. Royce Quad, also known as Dickson Plaza, is a large, grassy space located between two buildings to its north (Royce Hall and Haines Hall), and two buildings to its south (Powell Library and Kaplan Hall), which represent the original four buildings of UCLA's campus.

110. Royce Quad is one of the most-frequented areas on campus where students gather during the day and between classes. It is also a thoroughfare that students and faculty routinely use to access the rest of UCLA's campus, including buildings like the Student Activities Center and the main recreational facility, the John Wooden Center, both of which are located just southwest of the Quad. It is also located a short

²⁴ See, e.g., Jonathan Park et al., In Photos: A nation shaken by camps for Gaza, Daily Trojan (May 2, 2024), https://perma.cc/XF2W-FRP8.

²⁵ Gene D. Block, Affirming our Values in a Challenging Time, UCLA Chancellor (Apr. 30, 2024), https://perma.cc/T79X-62MZ.

- 111. Royce Hall is considered "the symbol of UCLA," "distinguished by its impeccable beauty." ²⁶ Its award-winning auditorium hosts many performances and events every year. Royce Hall also has seminar and meeting rooms and hosts UCLA classes.
- 112. Powell Library, in turn, is UCLA's main undergraduate library. Powell Library is not only UCLA's most popular place to study, but "also offers a wide variety of programming, including exhibits, concerts, dances, readings and other events that support student learning and creativity." ²⁷
- 113. The encampment was set up on the Royce Quad near both Royce Hall and Powell Library.²⁸
- 114. At times, it extended as far west as the Janss Steps, a long staircase leading up to Royce Quad.
- 115. Those inside the encampment chanted antisemitic slurs like "this is the final solution," "fuck Israel," "death to Jews," "death to Israel," "intifada revolution," and "from the River to the Sea."
- 116. Chancellor Block later admitted in sworn testimony that "intifada revolution" and "from the River to the Sea" are antisemitic slogans and are potentially dangerous.²⁹

²⁶ UCLA, Royce Hall, https://perma.cc/8FCB-W5HU.

²⁷ UCLA, Powell Library, https://perma.cc/VG6D-LA6H.

²⁸ See Julia Zhou et al., Gallery: UCLA students supporting Palestine organize encampment in Dickson Plaza, Daily Bruin (Apr. 27, 2024), https://perma.cc/27KB-V3Y9.

²⁹ Calling for Accountability: Stopping Antisemitic College Chaos: Hearing Before the H. Comm. on Educ. & the Workforce, 118th Cong. at

117. The use of antisemitic imagery was also common. These images included money symbols and other references that play on well-known antisemitic tropes and posters with drawings of pigs. Inverted red triangles, a common image used by Hamas to denote Jewish targets, were also present.

118. Other activists held signs with the Star of David crossed out, a swastika being compared to the Israeli flag, or reading "Nazionist."

119. Figure 5 is a photograph of an antisemitic sign displayed near the UCLA encampment.



Figure 5

^{3:06:20-3:07:07:10,} YouTube (May 23, 2024), https://bit.ly/4dVuDPW (statement of Chancellor Block).

120. Figure 6 depicts chalking on campus sidewalks with a swastika, a star of David, and the "Nazionist" statement.



Figure 6

- 121. On at least one occasion, the word "Royce" on the "Royce Hall" sign was replaced with the word "Intifada," so that the sign read Intifada Hall.
- 122. Figure 7 is a photograph of the activists' sign dubbing Royce Hall Intifada Hall.



Figure 7

123. Others scrawled graffiti on campus buildings and displayed anti-Jewish slogans on campus. 124. Figures 8 and 9 are photographs of examples of such statements.





Figure 8

Figure 9

- 125. Posters depicting the hostages kidnapped and tortured by Hamas were also ripped down and defaced.
- 126. Some activists chalked Stars of David onto UCLA's sidewalks alongside directions to "Step Here."
 - 127. Figure 10 is a photograph of such a "Step Here" chalking.



Figure 10

128. The encampment was eventually reinforced with barricades, as activists established checkpoints for the creation of a "Jew Exclusion Zone."

- 129. To pass through these checkpoints, a person needed to agree to the activists' "demands." These "demands" required any person who wished to enter the encampment to condemn Israel as a committer of "apartheid[] and genocide of the Palestinian people," to call for "an end to the occupation and genocide in Palestine," and to agree that UCLA should "[s]ever all UC-wide connections to Israeli universities, including study abroad programs, fellowships, seminars, and research collaborations, and UCLA's Nazarian Center."
- 130. Even if the person expressed agreement with the activists' demands, he would still be denied entry if there was no one already in the encampment who would "vouch" for him.
- 131. If the person succeeded in finding someone who could vouch for him, then he would be given a wristband or other form of pre-approved identification and allowed to pass through.
- 132. At these checkpoints, students and faculty were frequently asked if they were a "Zionist," or accused of being "Zionists," and were denied entry. Others were denied passage simply for wearing a Star of David necklace.³⁰
- 133. For example, one student was stopped by activists at the encampment because "you don't have a wristband" and then, when he questioned why they wouldn't let Jewish students in, he was asked, "[a]re

³⁰ Jenny Jarvie, 'Are You a Zionist?' Checkpoints at UCLA encampment provoked fear, debate among Jews, LA Times (May 9, 2024), https://perma.cc/X3TG-EF4J.

you a Zionist?" When he responded affirmatively, the activists responded that "we don't let Zionists inside."

134. On information and belief, a case manager within UCLA's Office of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion called a UCLA student on or about May 20, 2024, and asked the student if he was "aware that the protesters had an agreement with the University to screen students based on their viewpoints."

135. These checkpoints prevented faculty, staff, and students from accessing the Powell Library, Royce Hall, other classrooms and UCLA facilities, and other areas of campus.

136. Figure 11 is a photograph of the UCLA encampment and the barricade that the activists erected.



Figure 11

137. Campus security staff turned away students and faculty, including Plaintiffs Ghayoum, Shemuelian, and Shamsa, who were not approved by the activists and thus refused to allow or to help them pass through Royce Quad to Powell Library or Royce Hall.

138. Signs in UCLA colors and emblazoned with UCLA's logo that were posted near the encampment proclaimed that "University of Exhibit A – Page 35

California systemwide policy guidance directs UCLA not to request law enforcement involvement preemptively, and only if absolutely necessary to protect the physical safety of our campus community." Figure 12 depicts one such sign.



Figure 12

- 139. At one point, Defendant Hunt went into the encampment and sat with the activists to negotiate with them.³¹
- 140. Dozens of faculty members supported the activists in their efforts to set up and maintain the encampment.³²

³¹ Calling for Accountability: Stopping Antisemitic College Chaos: Hearing Before the H. Comm. on Educ. & the Workforce, 118th Cong. at 1:18:32-1:18:59 YouTube (May 23, 2024), https://bit.ly/4feNUNl (statement of Chancellor Block).

³² See, e.g., UCLA Department of History, Statement of Members of the Department of History in Response to the Attack on the Encampment on 30 April 2024, UCLA: Division of Social Sciences (May 1, 2024), https://perma.cc/AB66-7BKK (members of the department were at the encampment overnight); UCLA Department of History, Statement of Members of the Department of History in Response to Clearing the

141. Figure 13 is a photograph of a pro-encampment faculty protest on April 29, 2024.³³



Figure 13

- 142. On information and belief, these faculty encouraged the activists to maintain the encampment despite the rampant violations of stated policy and encouraged the UCLA administration to continue to allow the illegal encampment to remain in place unabated.
- 143. Faculty members called for fellow faculty to excuse student absences related to presence at the encampment, and the UCLA Faculty for Justice in Palestine called for "faculty to show support through [their] physical presence at the protest."

Encampment, UCLA: Division of Social Sciences (May 2, 2024), https://perma.cc/W727-9GV7.

³³ Clara Harter, UCLA faculty walk out as pro-Palestinian demonstrations, counterprotests grow across California campuses, East Bay Times (Apr. 30, 2024), https://perma.cc/94DE-ZG37.

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144. Figure 14 is a screenshot of a faculty group encouraging faculty to attend the protest and excuse encampment-related absences.

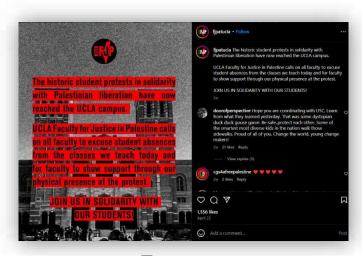


Figure 14

- 145. Some UCLA staff and faculty members chose to host classes and study sessions from inside the encampment and offered students participating in the encampment better grades and extra credit.
- 146. For example, on April 30, 2024, while the encampment was still in place, a lecturer within UCLA's labor studies department posted on X a picture of himself standing outside a graffiti-covered barricade and stated: "At UCLA's Free Palestine zone in solidarity with the students in my class. I will do all our classes for from [sic] the encampment. Free Palestine."
- 147. Other faculty cancelled classes or held office hours near the encampment.
- 148. Faculty members were aware of the antisemitic nature of the encampment and the systematic exclusion of Jewish students and faculty from the encampment.
- 149. In fact, in an email sent on April 30, 2024, Plaintiff Ghayoum's history professor stated that he would hold additional "office hours ...

across from the encampment, if there is some space" because he wished to "give students holding down the encampment a chance to meet with me." If a student, such as Ghayoum, did not "feel comfortable coming in close proximity to th[e] encampment," such a student was required to contact the professor separately to set up an appointment.

D. UCLA Facilitates the Anti-Jewish Segregation

- 150. UCLA's senior leadership team was aware of the possibility that an encampment would form on UCLA's campus.
- 151. On or around April 23, 2024, UCLA's senior leadership team, including without limitation Defendants Beck and Gorden, discussed how UCLA might respond to a potential encampment, given that encampments had appeared on other campuses around the country.
- 152. Yet once it arose, the encampment operated for a week without interference from Defendants, and indeed with their support via the failure to enforce stated policies or allow ordinary law enforcement intervention.
- 153. In fact, the encampment grew larger throughout the week, but Defendants still did not take actions to dismantle it.
- 154. Defendant Beck was aware of the establishment of the encampment by as early as 4:30 AM on April 25, 2024.
- 155. As Defendant Beck stated, the senior leadership team agreed that the encampment would "need[] to be removed at some point"; but they did not make specific plans to instruct law enforcement and campus security—who directly reported to Beck—to remove the encampment. Beck Decl., ECF 62-3 ¶¶ 5, 10.
- 156. In fact, instead of requesting the assistance of law enforcement, the senior leadership team, including without limitation Defendant Beck, directed the installation of barriers made of bike racks around the Exhibit A Page 39

encampment when it first arose on April 25, with more being installed at the senior leadership team's direction on April 27, 2024.

157. Also on April 27, 2024, a campus-wide alert specifically noted that UCLA had placed additional security around the encampment to assist the activists, noting that "[s]afety personnel in Student Affairs Mitigators (SAMs) and Public Safety Aides (PSAs) uniforms are around the encampment site, and CSC security teams are also located throughout campus."³⁴

158. CSC stands for Contemporary Services Corporation, which is a private security company with experience managing crowds and providing event security, including at colleges and universities.

159. Figure 15 shows the CSC staff that (as further described below) stopped Plaintiff Shemuelian and ordered her away from the encampment area.



Figure 15

^{| 34} Seán Devine, Campus Activity Updates, UCLA: Bruins Safe Online (Apr. 27, 2024), https://perma.cc/FN87-7NCM.

- 160. UCLA campus security was under the supervision of Defendant Beck, and upon information and belief was stationed pursuant to the decisions of the senior leadership team.
- 161. Defendants instructed these various security groups not to intervene and to discourage unapproved persons from attempting to cross through the areas blocked by the activists.
- 162. On information and belief, neither Defendant Beck nor any other member of the senior leadership team instructed police or security personnel to help Jewish students and faculty cross the encampment area to access campus buildings.
- 163. Instead, campus security staff, acting as agents of Defendants, directed Jewish students and faculty away from the encampment and, in some cases, stated that they needed permission from the activists to access the encampment, essentially acting as force multipliers to the activists manning the barricades.
- 164. As described more fully below, Plaintiffs all experienced the effects of Defendants' directive to security to redirect Jewish students and faculty away from the encampments or to not intervene in even physical skirmishes.
- 165. These include but are not limited to Frankel's observations of April 25, 2024, when a group of activists left the encampment, surrounding members of a counter-protest, tearing down their signs, taking pictures of them, and assaulting them, and Shamsa's experience on April 28 of being pushed to the ground while security stood watching.
- 166. Additionally, on or about April 29, 2024, a parent of a Jewish student called the UCLA PD and reported that her son had been denied access to campus because he was Jewish and did not have an activist-approved wristband.

167. During the conversation, the police dispatcher said: "the police are not intervening with that right now, and this is coming from the University. So if you had any questions or concerns, you would take it with the University itself. ... We have received a directive to not intervene at this time, yes. ... I would suggest contacting the Chancellor's office or higher ups in the University with your concerns. ... We're not forcing them to move out of the area. ... All I'm saying is we're not unblocking the entrances. ... The school is saying that they will not be removed at this time."

168. These exclusionary policies were reiterated in a campus-wide alert sent on April 28. Instead of ensuring that Jewish students could pass through the area, the alert notes that "[w]e've taken several steps to help ensure people on campus know about the demonstration so they can avoid the area if they wish." 35

169. The alert also again noted that "[w]e also have safety teams who are wearing Student Affairs Mitigators (SAMs), Public Safety Aides (PSAs) and CSC security uniforms throughout the demonstration site." ³⁶

170. And, consistent with the UCLA signs hung near the encampment shown in Figure 12, the alert stated that it would not "request law enforcement involvement preemptively," but "only if absolutely necessary to protect the physical safety of our campus community."³⁷

³⁵ Seán Devine, *Campus Activity Updates*, UCLA: Bruins Safe Online (Apr. 28, 2024), https://perma.cc/33DY-F74E.

 $^{^{36}}$ *Id*.

³⁷ *Id.* Mary Osako, vice chancellor for UCLA Strategic Communications, had previously issued this same statement on April 26, 2024. *See*

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- 171. This statement of UCLA's exclusionary policy not to request preemptive assistance refers to the Robinson-Edley Report, a document published by the University of California system that, according to UCLA, "affords UC campuses broad discretion to respond to protests that violate their policies without unduly impeding freedom of expression." ECF 62 at 10-11.
- 172. This guidance provides a "flexible standard that," as Defendant Beck explained, "allows UCLA to make informed judgments based on the context of each situation." Beck Decl., ECF 62-3 ¶ 14.
- 173. UCLA's toleration of clear violations of stated policies, and its establishment of an exclusionary policy toward Jews, persisted even though UCLA acknowledged on April 29, 2024, that "some physical altercations broke out among demonstrators on Royce Quad" on April 28.38
- 174. The April 28 violence included a female student's suffering a concussion after clashing with an encampment member and another female student being pepper-sprayed by a member of the encampment.
- 175. The exclusionary policies also persisted notwithstanding the fact that the senior leadership team, including without limitation Defendant Beck, was aware by at least April 29 that encampment activists were using the barricades to block access to campus facilities.
- 176. Chancellor Block was fully aware of the exclusionary policies as well. On April 30, Block sent a letter to the entire UCLA community acknowledging that the "unauthorized physical encampment" had led to

Statement on Demonstrations, UCLA Newsroom (updated Apr. 28, 2024, 4:19 PM), https://perma.cc/HN5U-QWXP.

³⁸ Seán Devine, *Campus Activity Updates*, UCLA: Bruins Safe Online (Apr. 29, 2024), https://perma.cc/Q46U-BS7Z.

"frankly ... shocking and shameful" "tactics," that the encampment included "instances of violence completely at odds with our values," and that the encampment had resulted in "students on their way to class [being] physically blocked from accessing parts of the campus." ³⁹

- 177. He further acknowledged that these "shameful" tactics left students feeling "bullied, threatened and afraid," and left "many," "especially our Jewish students, in a state of anxiety and fear." ⁴⁰
- 178. Yet despite this knowledge, Defendants continued to refuse to eliminate the Jew Exclusion Zone at the heart of UCLA's campus.
- 179. Instead, Chancellor Block and the senior leadership team continued to instruct the UCLA PD not to intervene.⁴¹ As a result, many Jewish students, faculty, and staff continued to be barred from accessing areas of campus generally available to the entire community.
- 180. The same day Chancellor Block sent his letter, the University acknowledged that the encampment was impeding student access to certain parts of campus.
- 181. At 8:00 AM, the University sent a Campus Activity Update tagged as a "Public Safety" alert stating that "The access to Royce Quad is limited and as such, please enter Powell and Kaplan Hall from the south-facing entrances; Royce and Haines Hall are accessible through the north or west entrances. We will continue to ensure people on campus know about the demonstration so they can avoid the area if they wish. This includes having student affairs representatives stationed near

³⁹ Block, Affirming Our Values in a Challenging Time, supra note 25.

⁴⁰ *Id*.

⁴¹ *Id.* (asking that law enforcement only "investigate the recent acts of violence" but not intervene to protect Jewish students or secure their access to campus).

Royce quad to let Bruins and visitors know about the encampment, redirect them if desired and to serve as a resource for their needs."42

182. The alert also stated that UCLA was evaluating "[e]vents and activities" "on a case-by-case basis" to determine whether they could continue as scheduled.⁴³

183. That same afternoon, the University announced that "[a]ccess to Royce Hall is now closed through Friday. Alternate locations are being identified as options for classes taking place in Royce. Instructors will inform students about further information regarding class location. Faculty should reach out to their departments for possible classroom reassignments."⁴⁴ UCLA also closed Powell Library early at 5 PM.⁴⁵

184. The alerts did not direct activists to remove the barricades—and did nothing to ensure that Jewish faculty and staff could access academic buildings and Royce Quad.

185. In sum, Defendants acknowledged the threat to Jewish students, opted to officially close crucial academic buildings to facilitate the encampment, and did nothing to clear the illegal encampment or stop activists at the encampment from blocking access to Powell Library and other buildings on Royce Quad or to guarantee the ability of Jewish students and faculty to traverse campus safely and freely.

186. After refusing to intervene to protect the rights of Jewish students and faculty for days, Defendants (including the senior

⁴² Seán Devine, *Campus Activity Updates*, UCLA: Bruins Safe Online (Apr. 30, 2024, 8:00 AM), https://perma.cc/39EX-FXGR.

⁴³ *Id*.

⁴⁴ Seán Devine, *Campus Activity Updates*, UCLA: Bruins Safe Online (Apr. 30, 2024, 4:25 PM), https://perma.cc/2XHC-8HKB.

 $^{^{45}}$ *Id*.

leadership team) for the first time authorized UCLA PD and outside law enforcement to intervene only after a confrontation between encampment members and counter-protesters escalated into a violent clash on the evening of April 30, 2024.⁴⁶

187. Though UCLA PD and LAPD intervened, they continued to allow the encampment to remain standing, including the barricades.

188. Defendant Block explained Defendants' decision in an email to the entire campus community on May 1, 2024. The email condemned the "attack" on "the encampment that has been established ... to advocate for Palestinian rights" by "a group of instigators." It was only after this "attack" that UCLA decided to "request[] support from external law enforcement agencies to help end this appalling assault, quell the fighting and protect our community." The email said nothing about prior attacks—both physical and verbal—on Jewish students and faculty as they tried to access academic buildings and traverse Royce Quad, nor did it promise to allow safe passage to Jewish students and faculty going forward.

189. Nor did it mention anything about disbanding the encampment.

190. True to the email's commitment, the encampment remained in place on May 1, 2024. And UCLA and Defendants did not restore full access to campus for Plaintiffs or other Jewish faculty, staff, and students. Instead, UCLA took several actions, including cancelling "all

^{| 46} Gene D. Block, Condemning Violence in our Community, UCLA Chancellor (May 1, 2024), https://perma.cc/KB3A-7Q3W.

^{26 || 47} *Id*.

 $^{27 \}parallel 48 Id$.

 $^{|| ^{49}} Id.$

classes" on May 1, keeping Royce Hall closed at least through May 3, and closing Powell Library through the weekend.⁵⁰ They also required remote classes on May 2 and 3 and closed other areas of campus, including Geffen Academy, Lab School, and Early Care and Education.⁵¹

191. On May 2, Chancellor Block sent a second email, acknowledging that the encampment was "unlawful" and "a breach of policy" that his administration had nonetheless "allowed ... to remain in place" and that it had resulted in "[d]emonstrators directly interfer[ing] with instruction by blocking students' pathways to classrooms" for "several days." ⁵² The email explained that "early this morning," i.e., May 2, he and other UCLA officials "made the decision to direct UCPD and outside law enforcement officers to enter and clear the encampment." ⁵³

192. The email went on to describe the "carefully developed" plan that law enforcement used to clear the encampment, which included "giv[ing] [the activists] several warnings" and "offer[ing] the opportunity to leave peacefully with their belongings before officers entered the area." ⁵⁴

193. Chancellor Block has admitted in sworn testimony that the "encampment was against policy" and "violated time, place, and

^{22 | 50} Seán Devine, Campus Activity Updates, UCLA: Bruins Safe Online (May 1, 2024, 8:00 AM), https://perma.cc/8SLY-QNLW.

⁵¹ Seán Devine, *Campus Activity Updates*, UCLA: Bruins Safe Online (May 1, 2024, 6:30 PM), https://perma.cc/3XXA-FLEC.

⁵² Gene D. Block, *Our Community is in Deep Pain*, UCLA Chancellor (May 2, 2024), https://perma.cc/E66L-Q5UA.

^{27 || 53} *Id*.

 $^{^{54}}$ Id.

manner."⁵⁵ And he has stated that he and the University administration "should have been prepared to immediately remove the encampment if and when the safety of our community was put at risk."⁵⁶

194. His administration's failed response to the encampment led Chancellor Block to conclude that "urgent changes [were] needed in how we administer safety operations." ⁵⁷

195. Thus, on May 5, 2024, Chancellor Block announced the creation of a new "Office of Campus Safety" that reports directly to Block and that is tasked with overseeing UCLA PD and other departments.⁵⁸ Block also announced the creation of "a formal advisory group with expert leaders" to assist this newly created office.⁵⁹

196. Chancellor Block tapped Defendant Rick Braziel to lead the Office of Campus Safety "as its inaugural associate vice chancellor." 60

⁵⁵ Calling for Accountability: Stopping Antisemitic College Chaos: Hearing Before the H. Comm. on Educ. & the Workforce, 118th Cong. at 2:45:21-2:45:27 YouTube (May 23, 2024), https://bit.ly/4ha9PHn (statement of Chancellor Block).

⁵⁶ *Id.* at 45:03-45:08.

^{24 | 57} Gene D. Block, Changes to Campus Security Operations, UCLA Chancellor (May 5, 2024), https://perma.cc/Y9DV-4A3H.

^{26 || 58} *Id*.

 $^{27 \}parallel 59 Id$.

 $^{28 \}mid\mid 60 \mid Id.$

E. Radical Groups Continue Constructing Encampments on UCLA's Campus, and UCLA Fails to Respond

- 197. UCLA's tardy decision to finally end the blatant segregation and targeted harassment of Jews did not bring an end to the matter.
- 198. Radical groups affiliated with the encampment have continued to call for similar actions and have even threatened that bolder actions are soon to follow.
- 199. Even after the encampment was taken down, UCLA's campus was consumed with anti-Israel protests and further attempts at occupying parts of campus.
- 200. The same day the encampment was finally cleared, Students for Justice in Palestine at UCLA, one of the primary organizers of the encampment, promised "we will not stop, we will not rest." ⁶¹
- 201. And, four days after the encampment was cleared, activists associated with the encampment posted a letter in the name of the "The Determined Palestine Solidarity Encampment," stating "we will not rest until they divest." 62
- 202. Consistent with the policy it followed since this wave of rampant antisemitism took hold, however, UCLA refused to address these threats and actions "preemptively."
- 203. Instead, UCLA extended its requirement for classes to be held remotely over the weekend of May 4 and 5.63

⁶¹ UCLA Palestine Solidarity Encampment, *Precursory Statement from UCLA Palestine Solidarity Encampme*nt (May 2, 2024), https://perma.cc/Y3P9-3MCK.

⁶² Palestine Solidarity Encampment at UCLA, *Refusing Co-optation* (May 6, 2024), https://perma.cc/TW3A-BZXY.

⁶³ Seán Devine, *Campus Activity Updates*, UCLA: Bruins Safe Online (May 3, 2024), https://perma.cc/R2F8-MKVS.

204. And though UCLA attempted to return to in-person learning on May 6, that plan proved to be short-lived. That same day, activists again attempted to occupy Moore Hall—home to the UCLA School of Education and Information Studies.

. Figure 16 shows an Instagram post from Students for Justice in Palestine at UCLA calling for students to occupy Moore Hall on May 6, 2024.64

206. Figure 17 shows a door in Moore Hall with text over the top posted by Students for Justice in Palestine at UCLA. 65







Figure 17

207. One week later, on May 13, 2024, Students for Justice in Palestine at UCLA and other affiliated groups called for activists to block

⁶⁴ @SJPatUCLA, Instagram (May 6, 2024), https://perma.cc/44CJ-XEJW?type=image (call to assemble at Moore Hall).

⁶⁵ @SJPatUCLA, Instagram Story (May 6, 2024) (photo of occupation of Moore Hall).

access to two parking decks on campus.⁶⁶ In response, numerous activists marched and chanted in front of the parking deck and blocked access to the entrance point.

208. Figure 18 shows an image of an Instagram post by Students for Justice in Palestine at UCLA calling for activists to assemble to block the parking decks.



Figure 18

- 209. Accordingly, early on the morning of May 6, 2024, the University declared that "[c]lasses and work in Moore Hall will be remote today due to ongoing disruptions." ⁶⁷
- 210. Later that same day, the University announced that "[a]ll classes are moving remote today and campus operations are limited due to

⁶⁶ @SJPatUCLA, Instagram (May 13, 2024), https://perma.cc/A295-Y94M.

⁶⁷ Seán Devine, *Campus Activity Updates*, UCLA: Bruins Safe Online (May 6, 2024, 8:30 AM), https://perma.cc/L4FM-VM4Y.

ongoing disruptions."68 An announcement that afternoon declared that classes would be remote for May 6th through 10th.69

- 211. That announcement also stated that "Royce Hall and Powell Library are closed and will remain so through Friday, May 10."⁷⁰
- 212. Transfer Bruin Day, originally scheduled to be held on May 11, 2024, was postponed and moved online in response to ongoing threats of disruption.⁷¹
- 213. Starting May 14, 2024, the same groups that ran the encampment put on a series of full-day teach-in events on Royce Quad "to reclaim both [their] space and ideas."
- 214. On the morning of May 23, 2024, the same day that Chancellor Block testified to Congress about antisemitism on UCLA's campus, the "Collective for the Liberation of Palestine"—an assortment of student groups who instigated the original encampment and now dubbed themselves the "student intifada"—established another encampment, setting up tents and barricades on Kerckhoff Patio, near the Bruin Walk thoroughfare.
- 215. Defendants Beck and Braziel recounted this incident in a statement to the community, stating that the activists established a new

⁶⁸ Seán Devine, *Campus Activity Updates*, UCLA: Bruins Safe Online (May 6, 2024, 10:15 AM), https://perma.cc/P5N7-4GW6.

⁶⁹ Seán Devine, *Campus Activity Updates*, UCLA: Bruins Safe Online (May 6, 2024, 4:00 PM), https://perma.cc/E5KD-Y67Y.

¹⁷⁰ Id.

⁷¹ See Seán Devine, Recent Updates, UCLA: Bruins Safe Online (May 6-11, 2024), https://perma.cc/NQM2-YGK9; see also Alexandra Crosnoe, Transfer Bruin Day postponed, moved online following on-campus demonstrations, Daily Bruin (May 9, 2024), https://perma.cc/Q6CG-LMFE.

encampment "erecting barricades, establishing fortifications and blocking access to parts of the campus and buildings" and "disrupting campus operations" on Kerckhoff Patio.⁷²

216. Defendant Braziel, to whom the chief of UCLA PD now "reports ... and takes direction," Braziel Decl., ECF 62-5 ¶ 2, explained the incident this way: after being told to "disperse," the activists relocated to another building, again "barricad[ing] access" and "committ[ing] acts of vandalism." The vandalism included writing the now-common phrase of "Intifada Hall" on an outside wall of Dodd Hall. Only after all this, and another request to "disperse," did law enforcement move in. 74

217. Then, on June 10, activists again established encampments, calling for *intifada* and prohibiting Jewish students from entering. First, the activists "marched to the walkway at the top of the Janss Steps and set up an unauthorized and unlawful encampment with tents, canopies, wooden shields, and water-filled barriers." Acting under the direction of Defendant Braziel, the police "issued multiple dispersal orders," but the "unauthorized" encampment nevertheless "restricted access to the general public" and "disrupted nearby final exams." The group eventually marched to the Kerckhoff Patio, where they again "set up an

⁷² Statement on demonstrators on Kerckhoff patio, UCLA Newsroom (May 23, 2024), https://perma.cc/7L6U-47G4.

⁷³ Rick Braziel, *Updates on campus safety and recent demonstrations*, UCLA Newsroom (May 24, 2024), https://perma.cc/7PA9-66Q3.

 $^{^{74}}$ Id.

To UCLA Police Department, News Release: UCLA Police Department Statement Regarding the Unlawful Encampments and Subsequent Arrests on Monday, June 10, 2024, UCLA (June 10, 2024, 10:30 PM), https://perma.cc/7M92-6X8G.

 $^{^{76}}$ Id.

unauthorized and unlawful encampment with tents, canopies, and barricades with patio furniture," "restricted access to the general public," and "enter[ed] Moore Hall, ... disrupt[ing] nearby final exams." After more "dispersal orders," rather than leaving campus, "[t]he group then marched to the courtyard between Dodd Hall and the School of Law," known as Shapiro Courtyard, where they again "set up another unauthorized and unlawful encampment," "restricted access to the general public in violation of University policy," and "disrupted nearby final exams." ⁷⁸

218. "As a result of the unauthorized and unlawful encampments at the three locations, the group damaged the Shapiro fountain, spraypainted brick walkways, tampered with fire safety equipment, damaged patio furniture, stripped wire from electrical fixtures, and vandalized vehicles." ⁷⁹

219. The following day, Defendant Braziel sent out a campus-wide email alert providing additional details about the June 10 encampment.⁸⁰ Calling the encampment "demonstration activity," Braziel recognized that the encampment once again "resulted in violence, destruction of property and the blocking of student access to parts of campus. … These actions also prevented students from completing their final exams."⁸¹

 $23 \parallel \frac{}{}_{77} Id.$

 18 *Id*.

 79 Id.

⁸⁰ Rick Braziel, Condemning Monday's Violence On Campus, UCLA Newsroom (June 11, 2024), https://perma.cc/5WLJ-3WUG.

 $^{^{81}}$ Id.

220. Braziel's email went on to describe how the "activity" involved a series of violent attacks and vandalism, including "dy[ing] the water in Shapiro Fountain red, us[ing] water-filled barriers and chicken wire to block the area, us[ing] amplified sound, and set[ting] up tents and canopies."82

221. Rather than taking swift action, these protesters were simply told to "disperse." They did not. Instead, they "moved to Kerckhoff patio carrying wooden shields," where they "proceeded to vandalize property with permanent red paint and erected barriers that blocked students and the public from accessing that part of campus." 84

222. Simultaneously, "another group at Moore Hall" disrupted final exams. 85

223. Following their exclusionary policies yet again, UCLA simply told the Kerckhoff protesters to "disperse." And again, they did not, instead "mov[ing] to an area near Dodd Hall," which "resulted in some students having to miss finals because they were blocked from entering classrooms" and "some students [needing] to be evacuated in the middle of taking their final exams." 87

224. Amid the melee, an activist attacked UCLA's Chabad rabbi while others called him a "Zionist pedophile rabbi," "not [a] human being[]" and a "fucking fake-ass Jew[]." The masked activist told the Rabbi "If I show

 $^{23 \}parallel_{82} Id$.

 $^{24 \}parallel_{83} Id.$

^{25 || 84} Id.

 $^{26 \}parallel 85 Id.$

 $^{27 \}parallel 86 Id.$

 $^{28 \}mid \mid 87 \mid Id.$

you [my] face, I'm going to have to fucking kill you." When asked "is this a threat," the activist responded "you can take it however you want to take it man, ok. Fucking idiot." When the Rabbi sought assistance from nearby police, he was told "our main concern is the crowd control."

225. Meanwhile, as Defendant Beck walked through campus, he required the presence of armed security as activists were shouting, "fuck you" and "you're not safe."

F. Antisemitic Chaos Continues in the New Semester

- 226. The groups who organized the spring encampments continued to engage in and prepare for continued "escalation" and "resistance."
- 227. Anticipating more disruptions this fall, Defendant Braziel has stated that he spent the "summer months to run through various scenarios with the senior leadership and experts to proactively put strategies in place to respond to potential civil unrest." Braziel Decl., ECF 62-5 ¶ 31.
- 228. On September 19, 2024, the Regents of the University of California adjourned the opening session of their September gathering after activists from those same groups disrupted the meeting and activists refused to comply with a Regents' spokesperson's orders to exit the meeting and law enforcement was ultimately called in.
- 229. Then, starting on October 7, 2024, the one-year anniversary of Hamas's horrific attack, the same groups behind the encampment instituted a "Week of Rage."

230. Figures 19 and 20 show public posts by an arm of UCLA's student government, the Cultural Affairs Commission, promoting the Week of Rage and celebrating the October 7 Hamas attack, that were posted on the Commission's public Instagram page which it uses to promote sponsored events. ⁸⁸





Figure 19

Figure 20

231. That same day, activists held a rally that included a largely masked march through campus, starting at Dickson Court North and ending at Murphy Hall. At various points attendees gathered to hear speeches before proceeding on with chanting and the use of amplified sound equipment. The protest did not comply with UCLA's time, place, and manner policies. It also included antisemitic behavior similar to earlier protests, including the kicking down of Israeli flags "placed to

^{88 @}culturalaffairs, Instagram Story (October 7, 2024).

commemorate the lives lost during the Oct. 7, 2023, attacks," chants of "Israel is a terrorist state" and "From the river to the sea, Palestine will be free," and the trampling of Israeli flags.

232. On October 21, 2024, activists set up yet another encampment, this time on Dickson Court, adjacent to Royce Quad. This new encampment did not comply with UCLA's time, place, and manner policies.

G. Yitzchok Frankel

- 233. Yitzchok Frankel is a third-year law student at UCLA School of Law.
 - 234. Frankel is an Orthodox Jew, and has been so for his whole life.
- 235. Frankel is also the descendant of Holocaust survivors on both sides of his family. His family was so severely impacted by the Holocaust that only four members of his paternal grandfather's family survived.
- 236. Consistent with his Orthodox Jewish faith, Frankel keeps kosher, strictly observes Shabbat and all Jewish holidays, and wears a kippah.
- 237. Frankel and his wife are also dedicated to raising their four children in the Jewish faith and send them to Orthodox Jewish schools. The Frankel family regularly attends synagogue in the Los Angeles area.
- 238. Frankel attended Orthodox Jewish day schools for his primary education and completed his undergraduate degree at Yeshiva University—a leading Orthodox Jewish institution of higher learning in the United States.
- 239. After completing his undergraduate degree, Frankel worked at an Orthodox Jewish boys school, YULA High School, in Los Angeles for five years, and completed an online masters degree from Yeshiva University.

- 240. Frankel has strong ties to Israel. He has visited Israel approximately eight times, including one trip where he spent six weeks studying the Talmud at a yeshiva.
- 241. Each time Frankel journeys to Israel, he visits the *Kotel*—the only remaining vestige of the Temple destroyed by the Roman Empire in 70 CE along with the rest of Jerusalem. While there, he engages in "tearing *kriah*," the ritualistic act of rending one's garments as an act of mourning for the destruction of the Jewish Temple.
- 242. Frankel seeks to follow Jewish law (halacha), which prohibits speaking ill of or defaming the land of Israel. See, e.g., Rabbi Eliezer Melamed, Peninei Halakhah, The Nation and the Land 3:11; see also Talmud Bavli, Erchin 15a (describing punishment meted out for speaking ill of the land of Israel); Talmud Bavli, Ketubot 112a-112b (describing precautions taken by rabbis to ensure that no ill would be spoken of the land of Israel). Thus, Frankel believes, as a matter of his religious faith, that he must support Israel.
- 243. Like many other Jews around the world, Frankel also engaged in a ritual at his wedding that marks the connection between all Jews and Israel: as the bridegroom, he crushed a glass with his foot at the end of the wedding ceremony. This is meant to symbolize and recall to memory the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem by the Roman Empire. Immediately before Frankel broke the glass, those assembled sang "If I forget you, Yerushalayim, let my right hand forget how to work. Let my tongue stick to the roof of my mouth if I do not remember you. If I do not set Yerushalayim above my chiefest joy." For this reason, too, Frankel cannot disavow his connection to Israel.
- 244. Frankel also engages in the daily *Amidah* prayer petitioning for the coming of the Messiah and the return of all Jews to Israel. To Exhibit A Page 59

Torah.

- Frankel, these prayers emphasize that all Jews, whether living in Israel or abroad, have a religious duty to support Israel.

 245. Frankel is vice president for the Jewish Law Students Association which, among other things, bakes pastries for Jewish
- 246. After the October 7 attacks, Frankel began to wear a shirt depicting an American and Israeli flag nearly every day as a sign of his support for Israel and his Jewish identity.

holidays, holds Shabbat dinners, and occasionally gathers to study

- 247. Frankel began to notice a rise in antisemitic activity on UCLA's campus after October 7, 2023.
- 248. Frankel observed on repeated occasions that "Bring Them Home" posters depicting the names and faces of hostages kidnapped and tortured by Hamas had been torn down, including posters displayed in areas specifically reserved for the Jewish Law Students Association.
- 249. On information and belief, despite Frankel's reporting these incidents to the administration, UCLA has not taken any action against these individuals.
- 250. Frankel also frequently observed individuals wearing "anti-Zionist social club" t-shirts.
- 251. Frankel was also present at UCLA School of Law on November 8 and November 21, 2023, when large numbers of activists took over the law school's courtyard, chanting antisemitic phrases like "there is only one solution, *intifada* revolution," and carrying signs.
- 252. Frankel also reported an antisemitic incident that took place on April 18, 2024, after another student accused him of harassing other students on campus merely because he was wearing a kippah and a shirt showing an American and Israeli flag. Frankel reported this incident to Exhibit A Page 60

- 253. Frankel was also directly impacted by UCLA's refusal to dismantle the initial Jew Exclusion Zone.
- 254. Frankel frequently traverses Royce Quad to get from the law school to other locations on campus, including Kerckhoff Coffeehouse and other food establishments, and to purchase items from the campus store.
- 255. Frankel also frequently walks around Royce Quad in between classes, sometimes to take breaks, other times while engaged in long telephone conversations, such as when speaking with his law school mentee.
- 256. Frankel has also brought his young children to Royce Quad on numerous occasions to socialize as a family.
- 257. Because of the establishment of the Jew Exclusion Zone and his knowledge that he could not go through the initial encampment without violating his faith by disavowing Israel, Frankel ceased all of these activities.
- 258. Frankel was the direct recipient of antisemitic harassment resulting from the initial encampment.
- 259. On April 25, 2024, the first day the encampment was in place, Frankel attended a peaceful rally held by Jewish students and other protesters who support Israel's right to exist. There, he observed the Exhibit A Page 61

- 260. While he was there, a masked female student came out from the encampment and stood behind the group of Jewish students and Israel supporters. She stood fairly close to Frankel, holding a sign with an inverted red triangle in his face.
- 261. While near the encampment, Frankel also heard chants from encampment activists including "this is the final solution," "intifada revolution," and "from the River to the Sea." He became aware of Death to Zionism spray paint and a chalking with the words "Step here" next to the Israeli flag.
- 262. Later, masked participants in the encampment left the encampment and surrounded these observers, including Frankel, tearing at their signs and pushing them.
- 263. Security not only failed to intervene, it actively assisted the encampment participants.
- 264. Frankel witnessed a UCLA security guard bring out metal barricades and direct other staff to set up the barricades around the encampment protesters—in effect expanding the protected area of the encampment and leaving Jewish students including Frankel stranded inside.
- 265. A line of security guards wearing blue shirts and mounted on bicycles also satidly by, refusing to intervene.
- 266. Later, three masked female students holding a triangular red bike light stood in front of Frankel, mocking him and taking pictures.
- 267. Frankel knew that he could not approach the barricades and walk through the encampment without disavowing Israel's right to exist in direct contravention of his Jewish faith.

- 268. On April 28, 2024, Frankel again participated in a rally near the encampment with other Jewish students.
- 269. Again, masked participants from the encampment left the encampment and flanked the protesters, beginning to yell, push, and shove.
- 270. As was the case in the April 25, 2024, encounter with the encampment, security did nothing to intervene.
- 271. Frankel also became aware of several violent incidents targeting Jews that occurred in and near the encampment on April 28. As he was walking away from the encampment on April 28, he helped one of his friends find paramedics after she had been pepper-sprayed by someone from the encampment. He also learned of a widely reported incident where a young woman was knocked to the ground by individuals associated with the encampment and had to go to the hospital.
- 272. Frankel continued to be impacted by the subsequent encampments that cropped up during May and June of 2024, which attempted to exclude Jews from parts of campus.
- 273. For instance, Frankel was speaking with a friend over Zoom who was at the law school as activists swarmed into UCLA Law's Shapiro courtyard on June 10, 2024. He watched the violent take-over of the law school courtyard through the Zoom video call in real time. This incident confirmed to Frankel that he remained unsafe on campus and that UCLA had not committed to ensuring his safe access as a Jewish student to all generally available parts of campus.
- 274. Likewise, Frankel became aware that on June 10, 2024, Defendant Beck needed to be escorted throughout campus with armed guards as activists threatened him. To Frankel, the fact that one of

- 275. Frankel also became aware of the widely reported video of a Rabbi being mistreated on June 10, 2024. This incident was particularly disturbing to Frankel, as he had previously participated in a Channukah Menorah lighting with this same Rabbi along with his children, in the very same law school courtyard that was taken over by activists.
- 276. UCLA's refusal to take swift action to dismantle these encampments, or to take a clear stand against the exclusion and discrimination of Jews, continued to impact Frankel's ability to access campus throughout the summer of 2024.
- 277. For instance, as a member of the Jewish Law Students Association board, Frankel was contacted by email by the Director of Student Life at the Law School, asking whether the board "would want to participate in hosting a lunch gathering for 1Ls on one day from August 16-22."
- 278. Under ordinary circumstances, Frankel would have leapt at the chance to participate in this event. Frankel's Jewish identity and religion are integral to who he is, and he believes it is important to mentor incoming students and encourage them to be proud of their Judaism, too. He believes this is especially crucial now, given the heinous attacks taking place against Jews across the country, in Los Angeles, and on campus.
- 279. However, given UCLA's continued refusal to ensure the safety of Jewish students, he felt compelled to decline because he did not feel safe participating in this event.
- 280. Under ordinary circumstances, Frankel also would have traveled to campus before the beginning of classes to purchase textbooks from the Exhibit A Page 64

campus bookstore. However, due to the concerns over his safety (caused by UCLA's refusal to protect Jewish students), he felt pressured to refrain from making these early purchases.

- 281. UCLA's failures have also continued to negatively impact Frankel's family. Last year, on July 2, 2023, Frankel's family traveled to campus to purchase UCLA-branded baby clothing in anticipation of the birth of their youngest son. This campus trip was just one of many times that he proudly brought his family to campus so his children could experience and understand Frankel's studies and how he is working to provide for them.
- 282. While there, Frankel and his family took a picture in front of the "Bruin Bear" in Bruin Plaza to commemorate the occasion and to memorialize their happiness at learning that a new baby boy would soon be joining their family.
- 283. At the time, Frankel and his family planned to return to campus after the birth of their son to visit the on-campus botanical gardens and to re-create the photo—this time with the newest member of the family in tow.
- 284. Bruin Plaza has since been the site of demonstrations by the groups that instigated the encampments and the Jew Exclusion Zone.
- 285. Therefore, as a father and husband, Frankel determined that he could never put his family—particularly his young children—at risk by bringing them to campus. This fear was driven by the knowledge that, should anything happen to them, UCLA would not intervene. They accordingly cancelled the trip and abandoned this plan to make family memories.

H. Joshua Ghayoum

- 286. Joshua Ghayoum is a UCLA junior studying history and pre-law. Ghayoum is Jewish and the child of Persian immigrants who came to the United States fleeing antisemitism in Iran.
- 287. Ghayoum grew up learning Judaism from his family and attended Hebrew school from age five through thirteen, when he had his bar mitzvah.
- 288. Ghayoum has visited Israel on three different occasions. He planned to return a fourth time this past summer as part of the Onward Birthright program, which aims to "create a long-lasting connection with Israel and to make the strong commitment to Jewish life and community that future generations depend on," but was unable to do so because of the ongoing war.
- 289. Ghayoum has family and a significant number of friends who live in Israel and a significant interest in Israel's religious sites. He considers Israel a second home.
- 290. Ghayoum observes the religious tenets of Judaism including observing Shabbat, attending synagogue weekly, and keeping the Jewish holidays.
- 291. Since he was 13, Ghayoum has worn a necklace that displays a Star of David.
- 292. For Ghayoum, support for Israel is both a religious obligation and part of his ethnic cultural identity. For these reasons, he cannot forswear Israel and its right to exist.
- 293. Ghayoum is a member of UCLA's Jewish fraternity, Alpha Epsilon Pi. The fraternity's building is adorned with a Star of David and a mezuzah hangs on the doorpost.

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- 299. Ghayoum and his family took pictures at Royce Quad to commemorate a sibling's bar mitzvah.
- 300. Beginning after Hamas's vicious attack on Israel, Ghayoum witnessed numerous raucous anti-Israel demonstrations, which often included antisemitic chants.
- 301. These demonstrations normally started at the bottom of the Janss Steps and went up through Royce Quad, the same area where the encampment would later be set up.
- 302. During these demonstrations, Ghayoum repeatedly heard chants of "from the River to the Sea, Palestine will be free" and "this is the final solution."
- 303. Ghayoum also witnessed demonstrators tearing down posters showing Jewish hostages of Hamas.

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confronted by a second security guard who gave the same instruction.

barricade. Ghayoum walked to the other end of the barricade, only to be

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313. Both security guards wore yellow vests reading "CSC."

- 314. Based on knowledge of the encampment's lawlessness, Ghayoum knew that if he jumped the barricade, he risked facing violence. So he abandoned his plans to study in the library altogether.
- 315. On a second occasion, Ghayoum attempted to meet a friend at Ackerman Union. He had made his way through approximately two-thirds of the occupied area, and was approaching Janss Steps, when he was stopped by a male approximately in his early twenties and told he could not proceed without showing a red wristband.
- 316. Ghayoum attempted to continue walking, but the individual signaled for three other male individuals of the same approximate age to join him. The four men stood in a line in front of Ghayoum, repeatedly demanding to see his hands and wristband and telling him he could not walk down Janss Steps.
- 317. The four men aggressively walked toward Ghayoum, forcing him to walk backward away from the Steps. Occasionally, the activists made physical contact with Ghayoum.
- 318. Ghayoum felt as though, had he continued to walk forward, the four activists would have physically stopped him, and he felt confident that they would have also called in reinforcements.
- 319. Disavowing Israel would be a betrayal of Ghayoum's Jewish faith.
- 320. Knowing that the situation would escalate if he continued to assert his rights, Ghayoum abandoned his effort and cancelled the meeting with his friend. He also understood that any further attempts to access the Jew Exclusion Zone would be futile.
- 321. The presence of the encampment limited Ghayoum's access to the undergraduate library. He generally uses the library as a resource Exhibit A Page 69

and a place for solo and group study. But because the encampment members blocked access to the library, Ghayoum was not able to use the library to study for midterm exams.

- 322. Ghayoum also witnessed firsthand support by UCLA faculty of the encampment. In an email sent on April 30, 2024, Ghayoum's history professor stated that he would hold additional "office hours ... across from the encampment, if there is some space" because he wished to "give students holding down the encampment a chance to meet with me." If a student, such as Ghayoum, did not "feel comfortable coming in close proximity to th[e] encampment," such a student was required to contact the professor separately to set up an appointment.
- 323. That same professor later scheduled a "teach-in at or near the site of the encampment" in lieu of having class. He stated that students were not required to attend, explaining that "I know there are folks so traumatized by the fascist/zionist/police assaults on those very grounds that returning can be triggering."
- 324. As a result of the encampment, Ghayoum feels that it is no longer safe to voice opposition to activists expressing anti-Jewish sentiments, and thus he has in fact ceased doing so. For instance, when discussion over a class group project turned to criticizing Israel for its "genocide," Ghayoum opted to stay silent rather than express his views.
 - 325. The encampment directly affected Ghayoum's class attendance.
- 326. Ghayoum had one class located in Haines Hall, which abuts Royce Quad. Thus, to attend class, Ghayoum needed to directly confront the encampment and its activists.
- 327. Because of his class's close proximity to the encampment, the encampment's overall threatening atmosphere, and his knowledge that he could not pass through the encampment due to his Judaism, Ghayoum Exhibit A Page 70

- was forced to miss at least four days of class, opting instead to listen to class recordings.
- 328. The intimidating atmosphere of the encampment meant that Ghayoum did not wish to enter campus at all.
- 329. Ghayoum has continued to be impacted by the May and June encampments.
- 330. Ghayoum has continued to stifle his pro-Israel speech in light of these encampments.
- 331. Ghayoum also felt particularly horrified watching the video of the Chabad Rabbi being attacked, as this Rabbi frequently meets with Josh's fraternity for faith events.

I. Eden Shemuelian

- 332. Eden Shemuelian is a first-generation undergraduate and graduate student. She attended UCLA as an undergraduate and is a third-year law student at UCLA School of Law.
- 333. Shemuelian is Jewish and grew up learning about and participating in her faith by attending Hebrew school, becoming a bat mitzvah, celebrating Jewish holidays, and observing Shabbat.
- 334. After her bat mitsvah, Shemuelian continued her involvement by teaching Hebrew to younger children each Sunday.
- 335. Shemuelian continues to observe Jewish holidays and Shabbat, and attends synagogue with her family.
- 336. Shemuelian wears a Star of David pendant as a sign of her religious faith and commitment to the Jewish people.
 - 337. Shemuelian's father is Israeli, and she has family in Israel.
- 338. Shemuelian has learned a lot about her Jewish faith on her regular trips to visit her family in Israel, including on a 2018 Birthright

trip, where she visited cultural and religious sites important to the Jewish people. 339. Israel is at the core of Shemuelian's Jewish identity representing the homeland of the Jewish people, given to them by God and set aside for them for thousands of years. 340. For Shemuelian, Judaism is synonymous with supporting Israel, and to be a faithful Jew means to support the right of Israel to exist. 341. Shemuelian continues her involvement with Judaism by being a member of the Jewish Law Students Association at UCLA. 342. Shemuelian decided to attend UCLA as an undergraduate after making a campus visit and falling in love with its beauty. 343. In particular, Royce Quad stood out to Shemuelian as an iconic of UCLA's beautiful architecture and spirit representation camaraderie.

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344. Figure 21 is a picture Shemuelian took of Royce Hall while touring UCLA's campus in 2016.



Figure 21

- 345. Shemuelian decided to pursue her law degree at UCLA after spending her undergraduate years steeped in UCLA's rigorous academics and its strong sense of collegiality.
- 346. That sense of collegiality carried over into Shemuelian's first year of law school, but evaporated quickly beginning after October 7, 2023.
- 347. After October 7, 2023, Shemuelian began to witness an increase in antisemitic activity on campus, alongside a corresponding lack of interest by faculty and administration to put it to an end.
- 348. Protests regularly took place at UCLA's law school, replete with antisemitic language and imagery. These protests included chants like "From the river to the sea, Palestine will be free," "There is only one

solution, intifada revolution," and "UCPD, KKK, IDF, they're all the same."

- 349. On many occasions, Shemuelian saw swastikas on campus, including one engraved into a table in the law school's courtyard.
- 350. On October 30, 2023, two activists ripped down "bring them home" posters that Shemuelian and her friends had hung near the law school featuring the names and faces of the hostages kidnapped and held in captivity by Hamas. Shemuelian saw these posters ripped down on multiple other occasions, including when posters were hung on bulletin board space dedicated to the Jewish Law Students Association.
- 351. On November 8, 2023, hundreds of activists—many of them masked—swarmed into the law school and took over the building. They chanted various slogans including "death to Israel," "death to Jews," "there is only one solution," "intifada," and "from the River to the Sea" while standing approximately ten feet away from Shemuelian.
- 352. After this protest, Shemuelian wrote to Michael Waterstone, the Dean of the School of Law, copying Chancellor Block and the Student Affairs Office. The email described the protest and poster vandalism in detail, explaining that these events left Shemuelian and other Jewish students "shaking, crying, unable to breathe, and dizzy."
- 353. The email continued: "this school has not been a safe space for me and my Jewish peers for the past few weeks. I chose to attend this university to receive an education. If I had known I would be faced with extreme antisemitism on a daily basis, I would have committed elsewhere. I have not been able to sit in class and learn for the past 34 days, especially when these students sit behind me in my classes four days a week with their Palestinian resistance/terrorist scarves (and only

seconds before class is to begin, they are chanting for the genocide of my people)."

- 354. Shemuelian also stated that because of this and other protests, she did not feel safe to attend class in person, opting instead to attend her lectures online.
- 355. The email identified specific students who had participated in the protests and who had previously torn down hostage posters.
- 356. The email also attached a chant sheet used by the activists during the November 8 disruption. These included "There is only one solution" with the response phrase "Intifada revolution," "Israel, Israel you will learn" with the response chant "By the millions we'll return!," and "1-2-3-4 (occupation no more/open up the prison doors!), 5-6-7-8 (Israel is a terrorist state!)."
- 357. Later in the email exchange, Dean Waterstone confirmed that he had forwarded the email to UCLA's Dean of Students, Jasmine Rush, since "this type and the handling of these incidents happens at the University level." The Dean of Students "confirmed receipt" of the email.
- 358. On information and belief, none of these students was ever punished.
- 359. Because no action was taken, Shemuelian ceased attending any of her classes in person because of the fear and intimidation caused by hearing antisemitic chants every time she entered the school. Instead, she was compelled to watch her classes through recorded lectures, which severely compromised her ability to study and to participate in UCLA life.
- 360. Shemuelian wrote multiple emails to her professors explaining why she felt compelled to no longer attend class in person, explaining

Sports Law at the law school.

- 362. On November 29, 2023, Shemuelian contacted Bayrex Martí, the Assistant Dean of Student Affairs at UCLA Law, along with Michael Waterstone and others, after she saw a post on X while she was walking to study for finals at the library. The post shows two pictures of what appear to be anti-Israel protestors holding knives in their hands that are by their sides while standing and walking out in the open on campus.
- 363. Dean Martí provided only a generic response, passing Shemuelian off to other campus departments and giving no assurances that the school would take action to investigate or to ensure the physical safety of Jewish students. When Shemuelian replied asking for follow up, she received no response.
- 364. She also discussed this situation on a call with Benito Nieves, Associate Dean of Students for UCLA Law, who also gave no assurances of security, discipline, or investigation.
- 365. Shemuelian was also personally impacted by UCLA's initial Jew Exclusion Zone.
- 366. The initial encampment's location on Royce Quad was approximately a three-minute walk from the law school building. Along with many other law students, Shemuelian frequently leaves the law school and walks through Royce Quad to access other parts of campus, including to get food and coffee at other campus locations.
- 367. Because of Royce Quad's central location, and her affinity for the space that developed as an undergrad, Shemuelian also frequently takes

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study breaks to walk around Royce Quad to get some exercise and fresh air.

- 368. Additionally, Shemuelian still occasionally chooses to study at Powell Library because of the fond undergraduate memories associated with that study space. Because of the encampment and her knowledge that Jewish students were being denied access to Royce Quad and academic buildings, Shemuelian ceased all of this activity, opting instead to stay home or to not leave the law school at all.
- 369. On April 26, 2024, Shemuelian attempted to observe the encampment and its activities. Shemuelian approached the barricade, joining other students wearing Jewish garb such as kippahs and Stars of David or holding Israeli flags.
- 370. While standing about three feet from the barricade, she attempted to read the signs and hear the chants taking place within the encampment. Shemuelian saw signs reading "Fuck Israel" and "From the River to the Sea," and depicting red inverted triangles—including on the encampment's "official" sign. She also saw signs equating Israel and the Israeli Defense Force to the Ku Klux Klan and white supremacy. Many of the activists inside the encampment were masked.
- 371. Rather than ensuring that Jewish students and faculty could pass safely through the areas to access Royce Quad, Powell Library, Royce Hall, and other locations on campus, Shemuelian witnessed security instead acting to stop individuals from passing through.
- 372. Thus, security acted as a force multiplier for the activists in the encampment.
- 373. For instance, a man in a light blue polo shirt that said "Security Staff" with a logo depicting "CSC" who was standing on the outside of the barricade began to chastise Shemuelian.

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- 374. Though Shemuelian simply stood and watched silently, the CSC staff member told her "to move away from the barricade and keep going unless you're going in."
- 375. The CSC member told Shemuelian that he had "been asked to keep this area [in front of the encampment] clear" and that he was "not the issue, you guys are."
- 376. Additionally, a group of security guards sitting on bikes and wearing blue shirts emblazoned with CSC mocked Shemuelian and the other Jewish observers, laughing at a male student singing in Hebrew who was yelled at by activists, jeering at the students when they professed anger at not being able to pass through, and repeatedly telling Shemuelian and the other Jewish students that they needed to leave.
- 377. Shemuelian also witnessed a student wearing a kippah and holding a pro-Israel sign being told by these same security guards to leave the area near the encampment.
- 378. As a result of these actions by security, Shemuelian was forced to leave the area.
- 379. Shemuelian knew that she could not pass through the encampment without disavowing her beliefs about Israel, which she could not do both as a matter of faith and as a matter of her ethnic identity as a Jew.
- 380. Shemuelian's ability to study for final exams was severely compromised due to initial encampment activity.
- 381. Unlike other academic departments and programs, the law school did not cancel or suspend in-person classes or exams due to the encampment.
- 382. Unlike other programs, which were still in regular class session during the lead up to and existence of the encampment, the law school Exhibit A – Page 78

was scheduled to hold final exams from April 29, 2024, through May 9, 2024.

- 383. In a normal semester, Shemuelian would have spent many hours in the law school and its library preparing for finals because she is better able to focus there. However, she mostly avoided going to campus to study because of the encampment.
- 384. However, on April 28, 2024, Shemuelian did attempt to access the library, but was again forced to confront the encampment due to parking restrictions that prevented her from parking near the law school.
- 385. Shemuelian had attempted to go to the law school to study for a final exam that would take place on April 30, 2024. Because of the parking restrictions, she was forced to park near the encampment and to walk around the encampment to get to the law school.
- 386. Here, too, Shemuelian knew she could not simply cut through the encampment, because to do so would require her to violate her faith by disavowing Israel's right to exist.
- 387. So instead, Shemuelian was forced to walk around the encampment, with antisemitic chants ringing in her ears and antisemitic signs in her face.
- 388. This experience severely and negatively impacted Shemuelian's ability to study for her final once she reached the law school library, where she could still hear the chanting from the encampment.
- 389. The ongoing encampment caused the entire finals period to be pervaded with a sense of fear for Shemuelian, and she felt that she and all Jewish students were unsafe and subject to harm if they went anywhere near the encampment.

- 390. Because of the law school's proximity to the encampment, Shemuelian also feared activists would enter the law school building as well.
- 391. Shemuelian was also aware of incidents earlier in the week when one of her Jewish friends was pepper sprayed by encampment members, and her cousin was hit in the head near the encampment and had to go to the hospital.
- 392. Most important, Shemuelian had read and kept up with all the campus alerts and emails sent throughout the course of the initial encampment. UCLA's refusal to take a stand against the Jew Exclusion Zone, despite its knowledge of ongoing violence and the exclusion of Jews from parts of campus, meant she had no confidence that any UCLA official would intervene to guarantee her safety.
- 393. All of these circumstances caused Shemuelian to feel immensely afraid as a Jewish student at the thought of needing to cross by the encampment to attend her finals.
- 394. On May 1, 2024, Shemuelian raised these concerns to several different law school deans, explaining she felt "unsafe" coming to the law school for her final exam of the semester due to the encampment's Jew Exclusion Zone and related protest activity on campus.
- 395. But, despite the previous assurances that such requests would be accommodated, Shemuelian's request was denied, and her repeated entreaties for reconsideration were ignored. In fact, Shemuelian did not receive a response to her final plea that she not be subjected to the "violence and harassment" she feared by being required to come to campus for the exam.

- 396. Because the law school administration never responded to her final request, Shemuelian had to go to campus in order to not miss her final exam.
- 397. UCLA's failures to protect Jewish students continued to impact Shemuelian long after the belated disbandment of the initial encampment.
- 398. Shemuelian remained aware of the continued disturbances and encampments on campus throughout May and June, including those on May 5, May 23, and June 10, 2024. Through the campus-wide alerts and social media, Shemuelian continued to observe UCLA's failure to protect Jewish students through its failure to take swift action to dismantle the encampments and to condemn the exclusion of Jews.
- 399. These negative impacts lasted throughout the summer as well. Because UCLA continued to refuse to guarantee the full, equal, and safe access of Jewish students to campus, Shemuelian opted to refrain from many activities she otherwise would have engaged in.
- 400. For instance, because of her love for UCLA's campus, Shemuelian typically chooses to complete work for her summer jobs from various on-campus facilities. During the summer of 2023, she chose to work from the Shapiro Courtyard and the law school library two to three times a week.
- 401. Especially since the violent occupation of Shapiro courtyard on June 10, Shemuelian no longer felt safe venturing onto campus at all, let alone to these spaces. She therefore refrained from setting foot on campus during the summer break, as was previously her typical custom.
- 402. UCLA's failure to remedy antisemitism also meant that Shemuelian felt pressure not to provide orientation to friends who were about to begin their first year at UCLA's law school. Initially, Shemuelian Exhibit A Page 81

had planned to show them around to her favorite places on campus and to help get them excited about the upcoming year. But because UCLA has refused to take action to guarantee her safety and full access to campus, she no longer felt safe walking around campus.

403. After her first year of law school, Shemuelian was asked to participate in orientation activities for incoming law students, but she was out of town and could not attend. She had hoped to participate in similar orientation activities after completing her second year, as she feels it is an important form of campus involvement and mentoring. But because of UCLA's refusals to address antisemitism, she did not feel that she could safely volunteer for orientation.

J.Dr. Kamran Shamsa

- 404. Shamsa is currently an Associate Clinical Professor at UCLA. Since 2011, he has been a member of the UCLA faculty in the David Geffen School of Medicine and the Department of Medicine/Division of Cardiology.
- 405. Prior to joining the faculty, Shamsa completed an internship in Medicine/Pediatrics in 2005, a residency in Internal Medicine/Pediatrics in 2008, and a fellowship in Adult Cardiovascular Disease in 2011, all at the David Geffen UCLA School of Medicine.
- 406. Shamsa spent four years on the campus of UCLA as an undergraduate, attaining a Bachelor of Science in Physiological Science in 1998. After graduation, he spent two additional years as a research associate at UCLA.
- 407. All in all, Shamsa has spent 27 of the past 31 years as part of the UCLA campus community.
- 408. When Shamsa was eleven years old, he immigrated to the United States from Iran, fleeing systemic antisemitism.

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- 409. Shamsa is an observant Jew. His Jewish faith and identity are at the core of who he is.
- 410. Shamsa regularly attends services at Eretz Synagogue and Cultural Center in Los Angeles, which includes a significant Persian Jewish community.
- 411. As a matter of his Jewish faith, Shamsa supports Israel as a homeland for Jews and its right to exist. His Jewish faith does not allow him to forswear Israel.
- 412. Shamsa has been alarmed and troubled by the rising wave of antisemitism that has swept across UCLA's campus, as well as UCLA's complicity in allowing that antisemitism to grow and thrive.
- 413. On numerous occasions, Shamsa experienced firsthand UCLA's failure to protect him and other Jewish faculty and students from both the exclusionary encampments, and even from direct violence.
- 414. On April 25, 2024, Shamsa attempted to enter the encampment to see what was taking place inside.
- 415. As he approached, he was stopped by UCLA security guards stationed outside the encampment and told he could not go in.
- 416. Behind the security guards, a group of activists were lined sideby-side to stop anyone from the group of Jews standing outside the encampment from entering the encampment.
- 417. Their faces were covered, and they were shouting anti-Israel and anti-Jewish epithets and slurs at the Jewish crowd outside the edge of the encampment.
 - 418. The security guards did not intervene.
- 419. In the late morning on April 28, 2024, Shamsa walked from the Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center toward Royce Quad after finishing his scheduled round in the hospital performing cardiology consultation.

- 421. As he neared Royce Quad to attend a pro-Israel rally, a large, masked man approached him and aggressively pushed him to the ground.
- 422. This occurred within plain sight of at least a dozen UCLA security guards.
- 423. These security guards all witnessed what happened to him but did nothing to intervene, did not pursue his assailant, and did not make any attempt to help him get up from the ground as he lay there flat on his back.
- 424. As a result, Shamsa's assailant simply walked away, as though nothing had happened.
 - 425. Shaken, Shamsa slowly rose and collected himself.
- 426. After walking approximately another 100 feet, a UCLA security guard approached him, pushing against his chest with both hands and telling him that no one could cross the plaza.
- 427. It was only after Shamsa displayed his faculty badge and insisted on his right to cross to the counter-protest that he was allowed to proceed.
- 428. On April 30, 2024, Shamsa watched the violence at the encampment unfold on social media and through local TV coverage.
- 429. Appalled and made afraid by what he saw, he called the Los Angeles Police Department, begging them to intervene.
- 430. He was told by the dispatcher that LAPD could not intervene unless requested to do so by the UCLA Administration. Then, the call was abruptly ended.

- 431. Shamsa then called the UCLA PD three times between approximately 10:30 and 11:30 PM.
- 432. He explained that he was a UCLA faculty member and that police were desperately needed at the encampment site to put a stop to the rapidly escalating violence.
- 433. He was informed that UCLA PD would only intervene if instructed by the UCLA administration to do so. Since they had not received such orders, they would not assist.

K. Relief needed

- 434. As set forth above, Defendants knowingly allowed activists to establish a Jew Exclusion Zone on UCLA's campus for several days during the spring quarter in 2024.
- 435. Defendants had the ability to disband the encampment, which violated stated University policies, but instead chose to enact an exclusionary policy that allowed the encampment to persist and to permit the exclusion of Jews from parts of campus.
- 436. Defendants had the ability to order UCLA PD and private security officers to help Jewish students obtain equal access to campus, but did not, and instead chose to reinforce the Jew Exclusion Zone.
- 437. Protest groups remain interested in reestablishing their encampment in the near future, have publicly stated their desire to do so, and have successfully formed multiple encampments after the initial one was disbanded.
- 438. As the Court has already found, Plaintiffs have been harmed by Defendants' previous allowance of the Jew Exclusion Zone on UCLA's campus. Meanwhile, Defendants have remained steadfast in their position that they are free to exercise their discretion to continue excluding Jews simply because they are Jews, saying it would otherwise Exhibit A Page 85

- 439. Plaintiffs seek a permanent injunction from this Court to be able to continue their educational and professional pursuits on campus in peace and freedom.
- 440. To know that they will be safe on campus, be free to exercise their religion, and receive the equal protection of the laws, Plaintiffs need a permanent injunction requiring Defendants to ensure that no Jew Exclusion Zone will be allowed on UCLA's campus and that Plaintiffs will be guaranteed equal access to campus facilities.

CLAIMS FOR RELIEF

Count I 42 U.S.C. § 1983 Equal Protection Clause

- 441. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations set forth in the preceding paragraphs.
- 442. Under the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, a State shall not "deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."
- 443. The Equal Protection Clause prohibits discrimination on the basis of religion, race, and ethnicity.
- 444. Defendants have deprived Plaintiffs of equal protection of the laws, as secured by the Fourteenth Amendment, through a policy and practice that treats Plaintiffs differently than similarly situated individuals because Plaintiffs are ethnically and religiously Jewish.

- 445. Defendants have knowingly allowed private individuals to bar Jewish persons from parts of the UCLA campus because of their Jewish ethnicity and religion, while non-Jewish persons are permitted access to all areas of campus. Indeed, Defendants affirmatively assisted these actions by hiring private security guards that reinforced the zone, refusing to enforce stated policies that prohibited the zone, and instructing law enforcement officers not to intervene.
- 446. Defendants furthered no legitimate or compelling state interest by engaging in this conduct.
- 447. Defendants failed to tailor their actions narrowly to serve any such interest.
- 448. As a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have been injured by losing access to educational opportunities, losing access to library and classroom facilities, losing in-person learning opportunities, losing the ability to prepare for exams, being denied equal participation in the life of the university, suffering emotional and physical stress that has diverted time, attention, and focus from study, teaching, and research, and by other harms.
- 449. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have suffered harm in the form of both general and special damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited to compensatory damages, punitive damages, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest.
- 450. Absent injunctive and declaratory relief against Defendants, Plaintiffs will continue to be harmed by Defendants' actions.

Count II 42 U.S.C. § 1983 Freedom of Speech

- 451. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations set forth in the preceding paragraphs.
- 452. "If there is any fixed star in our constitutional constellation, it is that no official, high or petty, can prescribe what shall be orthodox in politics, nationalism, religion, or other matters of opinion or force citizens to confess by word or act their faith therein." W. Va. State Bd. of Educ. v. Barnette, 319 U.S. 624, 642 (1943).
- 453. Government efforts to regulate speech based on the "specific motivating ideology or the opinion or perspective of the speaker" is a "blatant" and "egregious" form of impermissible speech restriction. Rosenberger v. Rector and Visitors of the Univ. of Va., 515 U.S. 819, 829 (1995).
- 454. And the government cannot "coerce an individual to speak contrary to her beliefs on a significant issue of personal conviction, all in order to eliminate ideas that differ from its own." 303 Creative v. Elenis, 600 U.S. 570, 598 (2023).
- 455. Plaintiffs believe that Israel has the right to exist and maintain a Jewish state in the Jewish ancestral homeland.
- 456. Plaintiffs were prohibited from accessing areas of the UCLA campus because they expressed this viewpoint and refused to disavow Israel.
- 457. By failing to guarantee Plaintiffs access to campus and campus resources, and affirmatively aiding the denial of such access, on the same terms as others based on their viewpoint, Defendants engaged in viewpoint discrimination against Plaintiffs.

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- 458. Moreover, by coercing Plaintiffs to confess a belief with which they disagree, Defendants compelled them to speak in violation of the First Amendment of the United States Constitution.
- 459. Defendants furthered no legitimate or compelling state interest by engaging in this conduct.
- 460. Defendants failed to tailor their actions narrowly to serve any such interest.
- 461. As a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have been injured by losing access to educational opportunities, losing access to library and classroom facilities, losing in-person learning opportunities, losing the ability to prepare for exams, being denied equal participation in the life of the university, suffering emotional and physical stress that has diverted time, attention, and focus from study, teaching, and research, and by other harms.
- 462. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have suffered harm in the form of both general and special damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited to compensatory damages, punitive damages, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest.
- 463. Absent injunctive and declaratory relief against Defendants, Plaintiffs will continue to be harmed by Defendants' actions.

Count III 42 U.S.C. § 1983

Free Exercise Clause - Status Discrimination

- 464. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations set forth in the preceding paragraphs.
- 465. The Free Exercise Clause "protect[s] religious observers against unequal treatment" "based on their 'religious status." *Trinity Lutheran*

- Church of Columbia, Inc. v. Comer, 582 U.S. 449, 458 (2017) (quoting Church of the Lukumi Babalu Aye, Inc. v. City of Hialeah, 508 U.S. 520, 533 (1993)).
- 466. Defendants deprived Plaintiffs of the free exercise of religion, as secured by the First Amendment, through policies and practices that subjected Plaintiffs to unequal treatment based on their religious status.
- 467. Defendants furthered no legitimate or compelling state interest by engaging in this conduct.
- 468. Defendants failed to tailor their actions narrowly to serve any such interest.
- 469. As a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have been injured by losing access to educational opportunities, losing access to library and classroom facilities, losing in-person learning opportunities, losing the ability to prepare for exams, being denied equal participation in the life of the university, suffering emotional and physical stress that has diverted time, attention, and focus from study, teaching, and research, and by other harms.
- 470. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have suffered harm in the form of both general and special damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited to compensatory damages, punitive damages, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest.
- 471. Absent injunctive and declaratory relief against Defendants, Plaintiffs will continue to be harmed by Defendants' actions.

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Count IV 42 U.S.C. § 1983

Free Exercise Clause – Not Generally Applicable: Unequal Treatment of Comparable Activity

- 472. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations set forth in the preceding paragraphs.
- 473. The First Amendment provides that "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." U.S. Const. amend. I.
- 474. Under the Free Exercise Clause, a government action that burdens religious exercise triggers strict scrutiny when it is not neutral or generally applicable. *Fellowship of Christian Athletes v. San Jose Unified Sch. Dist. Bd. of Educ.*, 82 F.4th 664, 685 (9th Cir. 2023) (en banc).
- 475. A policy is not generally applicable if it treats "any comparable secular activity more favorably than religious exercise." *Tandon v. Newsom*, 593 U.S. 61, 62 (2021) (per curiam).
- 476. Defendants treated Plaintiffs' religious exercises, including wearing Jewish symbols and expressing support for Israel, less favorably than comparable secular activities.
- 477. Defendants furthered no legitimate or compelling state interest by engaging in this conduct.
- 478. Defendants failed to tailor their actions narrowly to serve any such interest.
- 479. As a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have been injured by losing access to educational opportunities, losing access to library and classroom facilities, losing in-person learning opportunities, losing the ability to prepare for exams, being denied equal participation in the life

- 480. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have suffered harm in the form of both general and special damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited to compensatory damages, punitive damages, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest.
- 481. Absent injunctive and declaratory relief against Defendants, Plaintiffs will continue to be harmed by Defendants' actions.

Count V 42 U.S.C. § 1983

Free Exercise Clause -

Not Generally Applicable: Discretionary Authority

- 482. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations set forth in the preceding paragraphs.
- 483. Government actions "burdening religious practice must be of general applicability." *Lukumi*, 508 U.S. at 542.
- 484. A policy is not generally applicable if it "invites the government" to exercise "discretion" "to decide which reasons for not complying with the policy are worthy of solicitude." Fulton v. City of Philadelphia, 593 U.S. 522, 537 (2021) (cleaned up); see also Fellowship of Christian Athletes, 82 F.4th at 686-88.
- 485. Defendants have, and have exercised, "broad discretion" in the administration of campus security including in addressing issues of campus access.
- 486. Defendants possess, and at all relevant times did possess, the discretion to request law enforcement's assistance and immediately

- 487. Defendants and their agents made discretionary and individualized judgments in choosing to allow activists to restrict campus access to Jews while permitting others full and equal access to campus.
- 488. Defendants exercised their discretion in choosing not to enforce its policies related to nondiscrimination and campus access against those who restricted campus access during the encampments.
- 489. Defendants furthered no legitimate or compelling state interest by engaging in this conduct.
- 490. Defendants failed to tailor their actions narrowly to serve any such interest.
- 491. As a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have been injured by losing access to educational opportunities, losing access to library and classroom facilities, losing in-person learning opportunities, losing the ability to prepare for exams, being denied equal participation in the life of the university, suffering emotional and physical stress that has diverted time, attention, and focus from study, teaching, and research, and by other harms.
- 492. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have suffered harm in the form of both general and special damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited to compensatory damages, punitive damages, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest.
- 493. Absent injunctive and declaratory relief against Defendants, Plaintiffs will continue to be harmed by Defendants' actions.

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Count VI 42 U.S.C. § 1983

Free Exercise Clause - Religious Targeting

- 494. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations set forth in the preceding paragraphs.
- 495. A law or policy "targeting religious beliefs as such is never permissible." Lukumi, 508 U.S. at 533.
- 496. Defendants targeted Plaintiffs' Jewish religious beliefs and practices for special disfavor in violation of the Free Exercise Clause.
- 497. As a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have been injured by losing access to educational opportunities, losing access to library and classroom facilities, losing in-person learning opportunities, losing the ability to prepare for exams, being denied equal participation in the life of the university, suffering emotional and physical stress that has diverted time, attention, and focus from study, teaching, and research, and by other harms.
- 498. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have suffered harm in the form of both general and special damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited to compensatory damages, punitive damages, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest.
- 499. Absent injunctive and declaratory relief against Defendants, Plaintiffs will continue to be harmed by Defendants' actions.

Count VII 42 U.S.C. § 2000d *et. seq.* Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

500. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations set forth in the preceding paragraphs.

- 502. UCLA receives financial assistance from the United States Department of Education and is therefore subject to suit under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
- 503. Discrimination against Jews—including based on actual or perceived ancestry, race, ethnic characteristics, or national origin—is prohibited under Title VI. *Cf. Shaare Tefila Congregation v. Cobb*, 481 U.S. 615, 616 (1987) (discrimination against Jews is discrimination based on race); *see also* 34 C.F.R. § 100.3(b)(1)(iv), (vi).
- 504. Defendants excluded Plaintiffs from participation in UCLA programs, denied Plaintiffs the full benefits of UCLA programs, and subjected Plaintiffs to discrimination, all in violation of Title VI.
- 505. As a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have been injured by losing access to educational opportunities, losing access to library and classroom facilities, losing in-person learning opportunities, losing the ability to prepare for exams, being denied equal participation in the life of the university, suffering emotional and physical stress that has diverted time, attention, and focus from study, teaching, and research, and by other harms.
- 506. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have suffered harm in the form of both general and special damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited to compensatory damages, punitive damages, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest.

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507. Absent injunctive and declaratory relief against Defendants, Plaintiffs will continue to be harmed by Defendants' actions.

Count VIII 42 U.S.C. § 1985

Conspiracy to Interfere with Civil Rights

- 508. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations set forth in the preceding paragraphs.
- 509. Section 1985 of the Ku Klux Klan Act provides that "[i]f two or more persons in any State or Territory conspire or go in disguise on the highway or on the premises of another, for the purpose of depriving, either directly or indirectly, any person or class of persons of the equal protection of the laws, or of equal privileges and immunities under the laws ... the party so injured or deprived may have an action for the recovery of damages occasioned by such injury or deprivation, against any one or more of the conspirators." 42 U.S.C. § 1985(3).
- 510. Defendants agreed to conspire with various activists inside the April 2024 initial encampment for the purpose of depriving Plaintiffs of their constitutional rights and equal protection of the laws. Specifically, Defendants conspired with activists from the encampment to deprive Plaintiffs of equal access to all parts of the UCLA campus in violation of their constitutional rights to free exercise and free speech and in violation of the equal protection of the laws.
- 511. As Jews, Plaintiffs are members of a suspect class protected by 42 U.S.C. § 1985(3). See Shaare Tefila, 481 U.S. at 617-18.
- 512. Defendants' agreement is manifested through various lines of circumstantial evidence, including but not limited to Defendants' statements that they actively chose not to involve police, Defendants' erection of barricades to reinforce the encampment, Defendants' refusal

to take action irrespective of their direct knowledge that encampment activists were using barricades to exclude Jews from campus, Defendants' refusal to dismantle the encampment regardless of their knowledge that Jewish students and faculty like Plaintiffs could not pass through the encampment without violating their religious beliefs or free speech rights, Defendants' direction to security not to intervene to assist Jewish students but instead to redirect them away from the encampment, and Defendant Hunt's active negotiations with encampment activists.

- 513. Defendants engaged in numerous acts in furtherance of this conspiracy, including but not limited to setting up barricades to reinforce the encampment, directing security not to intervene to facilitate full and equal access by Jewish students, instructing security to redirect Jewish students away from the encampment, and refusing to dismantle the encampment notwithstanding knowledge that Jewish students and faculty were being denied access to campus buildings and facilities.
- 514. These actions were motivated by discriminatory animus against Plaintiffs and other Jewish students and faculty.
- 515. As a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have been injured by losing access to educational opportunities, losing access to library and classroom facilities, losing in-person learning opportunities, losing the ability to prepare for exams, being denied equal participation in the life of the university, suffering emotional and physical stress that has diverted time, attention, and focus from study, teaching, and research, and by other harms that violate their constitutional rights.
- 516. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have suffered harm in the form of both general and special damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited Exhibit A Page 97

to compensatory damages, punitive damages, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest.

517. Absent injunctive and declaratory relief against Defendants, Plaintiffs will continue to be harmed by Defendants' actions.

Count IX 42 U.S.C. § 1986 Failure to Prevent Conspiracy

- 518. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations set forth in the preceding paragraphs.
- 519. Section 1986 of the Ku Klux Klan Act provides "[e]very person who, having knowledge that any of the wrongs conspired to be done, and mentioned in section 1985 ..., are about to be committed, and having power to prevent or aid in preventing the commission of the same, neglects or refuses so to do, if such wrongful act be committed, shall be liable to the party injured, or his legal representatives, for all damages caused by such wrongful act, which such person by reasonable diligence could have prevented." 42 U.S.C. § 1986.
- 520. Section 1986 is, in other words, "derivative of § 1985 violations" and holds liable anyone who "knew of a § 1985 conspiracy and, having the power to prevent or aid in preventing the implementation of the conspiracy, neglected to do so." Park v. City of Atlanta, 120 F.3d 1157, 1160 (11th Cir. 1997). The statute does not require the individual to have "participated in the conspiracy or shared in the discriminatory animus with members of the conspiracy." Id.
- 521. Defendants knew of the conspiracy to deprive Plaintiffs of their civil rights.

- 522. Although Defendants had the power to prevent or aid in preventing the implementation of the conspiracy, Defendants neglected to do so in violation of Section 1986.
- 523. As a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have been injured by losing access to educational opportunities, losing access to library and classroom facilities, losing in-person learning opportunities, losing the ability to prepare for exams, being denied equal participation in the life of the university, suffering emotional and physical stress that has diverted time, attention, and focus from study, teaching, and research, and by other harms.
- 524. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have suffered harm in the form of both general and special damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited to compensatory damages, punitive damages, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest.
- 525. Absent injunctive and declaratory relief against Defendants, Plaintiffs will continue to be harmed by Defendants' actions.

Count X California Constitution Art. I, § 7(a) Equal Protection Clause

- 526. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations set forth in the preceding paragraphs.
- 527. Under California's Equal Protection Clause, "[a] person may not be ... denied equal protection of the laws." Cal. Const. art. 1, § 7(a). The Clause prohibits discrimination based on race, ethnicity, and religion.
- 528. Defendants have deprived Plaintiffs of equal protection of the laws, as secured by the California Constitution, through policies and

- practices that treat Plaintiffs differently than similarly situated individuals because Plaintiffs are Jewish.
- 529. Defendants furthered no legitimate or compelling state interest by engaging in this conduct.
- 530. Defendants failed to tailor their actions narrowly to serve any such interest.
- 531. As a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have been injured by losing access to educational opportunities, losing access to library and classroom facilities, losing in-person learning opportunities, losing the ability to prepare for exams, being denied equal participation in the life of the university, suffering emotional and physical stress that has diverted time, attention, and focus from study, teaching, and research, and by other harms.
- 532. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have suffered harm in the form of both general and special damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited to compensatory damages, punitive damages, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest.
- 533. Absent injunctive and declaratory relief against Defendants, Plaintiffs will continue to be harmed by Defendants' actions.

Count XI California Constitution Art. I, § 4 Free Exercise Clause

- 534. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations set forth in the preceding paragraphs.
- 535. The California Constitution guarantees "[f]ree exercise and enjoyment of religion without discrimination or preference." Cal. Const. art. I, § 4.

- 536. Defendants have deprived Plaintiffs of the free exercise and enjoyment of religion without discrimination or preference, as secured by the California Constitution, through a policy and practice that treats Plaintiffs differently than similarly situated non-Jewish individuals because Plaintiffs are Jewish.
- 537. Defendants furthered no legitimate or compelling state interest by engaging in this conduct.
- 538. Defendants failed to tailor their actions narrowly to serve any such interest.
- 539. As a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have been injured by losing access to educational opportunities, losing access to library and classroom facilities, losing in-person learning opportunities, losing the ability to prepare for exams, being denied equal participation in the life of the university, suffering emotional and physical stress that has diverted time, attention, and focus from study, teaching, and research, and by other harms.
- 540. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have suffered harm in the form of both general and special damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited to compensatory damages, punitive damages, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest.
- 541. Absent injunctive and declaratory relief against Defendants, Plaintiffs will continue to be harmed by Defendants' actions.

Count XII Cal. Educ. Code § 220 Prohibition of Discrimination

542. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations set forth in the preceding paragraphs.

543. Section 220 of the California Education Code provides that "[n]o person shall be subjected to discrimination on the basis of ... race or ethnicity ... in any program or activity conducted by an educational institution that receives, or benefits from, state financial assistance, or enrolls pupils who receive state student financial aid." Cal. Educ. Code

- § 220.

 544. UCLA both receives state financial assistance and enrolls pupils who receive state student financial aid and is therefore subject to suit under Section 220.
- 545. Section 220—as part of its prohibition of race discrimination—prohibits discrimination against Jews. See Cal. Educ. Code § 201(g) ("It is the intent of the Legislature that this chapter shall be interpreted as consistent with ... Title VI of the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964"); Shaare Tefila, 481 U.S. at 616 (discrimination against Jews is discrimination based on race).
- 546. Defendants subjected Plaintiffs to discrimination on the basis of Plaintiffs' race or ethnicity in violation of California Education Code § 220.
- 547. Defendants furthered no legitimate or compelling state interest by engaging in this conduct.
- 548. Defendants failed to tailor their actions narrowly to serve any such interest.
- 549. As a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have been injured by losing access to educational opportunities, losing access to library and classroom facilities, losing in-person learning opportunities, losing the ability to prepare for exams, being denied equal participation in the life of the university, suffering emotional and physical stress that has

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- 550. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have suffered harm in the form of both general and special damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited to compensatory damages, punitive damages, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest.
- 551. Absent injunctive and declaratory relief against Defendants, Plaintiffs will continue to be harmed by Defendants' actions.

Count XIII Cal. Civil Code § 51.7 Ralph Civil Rights Act of 1976

- 552. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations set forth in the preceding paragraphs.
- 553. The Ralph Civil Rights Act of 1976 provides that "[a]ll persons within the jurisdiction of this state have the right to be free from any violence, or intimidation by threat of violence, committed against their persons or property because of" race or ethnicity. Cal. Civ. Code § 51.7(b)(1).
- 554. Defendants allowed activists to harass, threaten, and assault Plaintiffs because of their Jewish identity in violation of the Ralph Civil Rights Act.
- 555. Defendants furthered no legitimate or compelling state interest by engaging in this conduct.
- 556. Defendants failed to tailor their actions narrowly to serve any such interest.
- 557. As a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have been injured by losing access to educational opportunities, losing access to library and

classroom facilities, losing in-person learning opportunities, losing the ability to prepare for exams, being denied equal participation in the life of the university, suffering emotional and physical stress that has diverted time, attention, and focus from study, teaching, and research, and by other harms.

558. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have suffered harm in the form of both general and special damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited to compensatory damages, punitive damages, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest.

559. Absent injunctive and declaratory relief against Defendants, Plaintiffs will continue to be harmed by Defendants' actions.

Count XIV Cal. Civil Code § 52.1 Tom Bane Civil Rights Act

- 560. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations set forth in the preceding paragraphs.
- 561. The Tom Bane Civil Rights Act provides a right of action against any "person or persons, whether or not acting under color of law, [who] interferes by threat, intimidation, or coercion, or attempts to interfere by threat, intimidation, or coercion, with the exercise or enjoyment by any individual or individuals of rights secured by the Constitution or laws of the United States, or of the rights secured by the Constitution or laws of [California]." Cal. Civil Code § 52.1(b).
- 562. Defendants interfered by threat, intimidation, or coercion, with Plaintiffs' exercise or enjoyment of rights secured by the Constitution or laws of the United States and rights secured by the Constitution or laws of California.

- 563. Defendants furthered no legitimate or compelling state interest by engaging in this conduct.
- 564. Defendants failed to tailor their actions narrowly to serve any such interest.
- 565. As a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have been injured by losing access to educational opportunities, losing access to library and classroom facilities, losing in-person learning opportunities, losing the ability to prepare for exams, being denied equal participation in the life of the university, suffering emotional and physical stress that has diverted time, attention, and focus from study, teaching, and research, and by other harms.
- 566. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have suffered harm in the form of both general and special damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited to compensatory damages, punitive damages, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest.
- 567. Absent injunctive and declaratory relief against Defendants, Plaintiffs will continue to be harmed by Defendants' actions.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Wherefore, Plaintiffs respectfully request that the Court:

- 568. Declare that Defendants have violated the First and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Sections 1983, 1985, and 1986 of the Ku Klux Klan Act, the California Constitution, the California Education Code, the Ralph Civil Rights Act of 1976, and the Tom Bane Civil Rights Act;
- 569. Issue preliminary and permanent injunctive relief prohibiting Defendants' unequal treatment of Plaintiffs in violation of Plaintiffs' constitutional and statutory rights;

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570. Award Plaintiffs compensatory, punitive, and nominal damages 1 2 for the loss of their rights under federal and state law; 571. Award Plaintiffs the costs of this action and reasonable 3 attorneys' fees; and 4 572. Award such other and further relief as the Court deems 5 6 equitable and just. 7 **JURY DEMAND** Plaintiffs request a trial by jury on all issues so triable. 8 9 10 Dated: October 22, 2024 Respectfully submitted, 11 /s/ Eric C. Rassbach 12 Eric C. Rassbach (CA SBN 288041) Mark L. Rienzi (DC Bar No. 494336)* 13 Laura Wolk Slavis (DC Bar No. 1643193)* 14 Jordan T. Varberg (DC Bar No. 90022889)* Amanda G. Dixon (DC Bar No. 90021498)* 15 Reed M. Bartley (TX Bar No. 24125115)* ‡ 16 The Becket Fund for Religious Liberty 17 1919 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20006 18 202-955-0095 tel. / 202-955-0090 fax 19 erassbach@becketlaw.org 20 Paul D. Clement (DC Bar No. 433215)* 21 Erin E. Murphy (DC Bar No. 995953)* 22 Matthew D. Rowen (CA SBN 292292) Clement & Murphy, PLLC 23 706 Duke Street 24 Alexandria, VA 22314 25 Attorneys for Plaintiffs 26 * Admitted pro hac vice. 27 ‡ Not admitted to the D.C. Bar; admitted only in Texas. Supervised by licensed D.C. Bar members.

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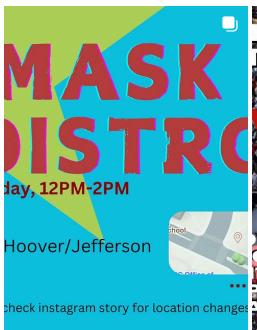
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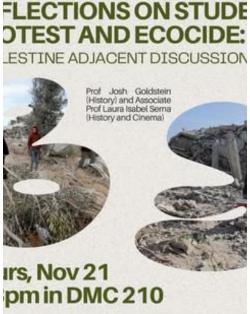




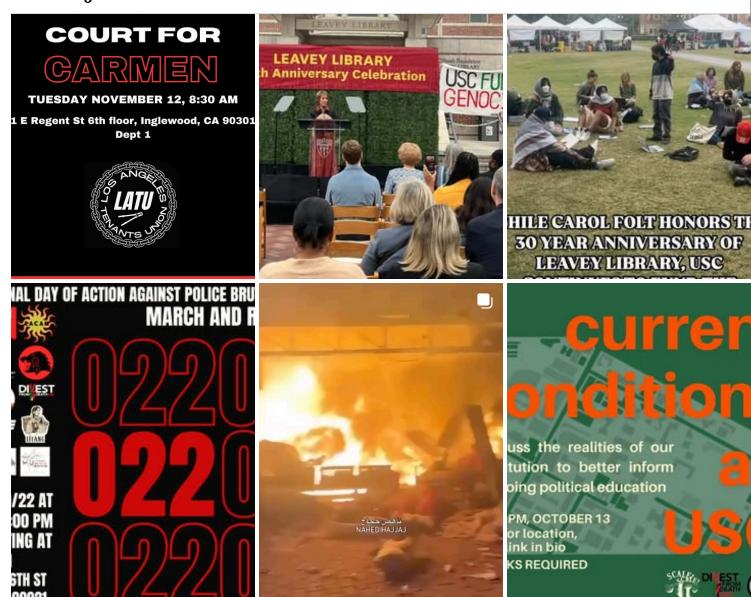








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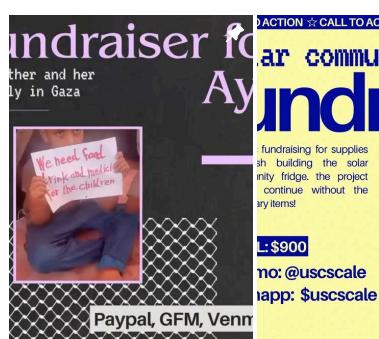
















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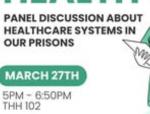
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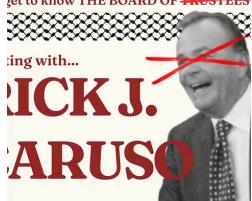
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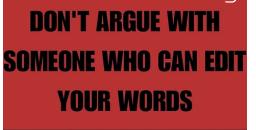




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